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# PyTorch Lightning Documentation

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## LIGHTNING IN 2 STEPS

**In this guide we'll show you how to organize your PyTorch code into Lightning in 2 steps.**

Organizing your code with PyTorch Lightning makes your code:

- Keep all the flexibility (this is all pure PyTorch), but removes a ton of boilerplate
- More readable by decoupling the research code from the engineering
- Easier to reproduce
- Less error-prone by automating most of the training loop and tricky engineering
- Scalable to any hardware without changing your model

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Here's a 3 minute conversion guide for PyTorch projects:

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### 1.1 Step 0: Install PyTorch Lightning

You can install using `pip`

```
pip install pytorch-lightning
```

Or with `conda` (see how to install conda [here](#)):

```
conda install pytorch-lightning -c conda-forge
```

You could also use conda environments

```
conda activate my_env  
pip install pytorch-lightning
```

Import the following:

```
import os  
import torch  
from torch import nn  
import torch.nn.functional as F  
from torchvision import transforms  
from torchvision.datasets import MNIST  
from torch.utils.data import DataLoader, random_split  
import pytorch_lightning as pl
```

## 1.2 Step 1: Define LightningModule

```
class LitAutoEncoder(pl.LightningModule):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.encoder = nn.Sequential(
            nn.Linear(28*28, 64),
            nn.ReLU(),
            nn.Linear(64, 3)
        )
        self.decoder = nn.Sequential(
            nn.Linear(3, 64),
            nn.ReLU(),
            nn.Linear(64, 28*28)
        )

    def forward(self, x):
        # in lightning, forward defines the prediction/inference actions
        embedding = self.encoder(x)
        return embedding

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        # training_step defined the train loop.
        # It is independent of forward
        x, y = batch
        x = x.view(x.size(0), -1)
        z = self.encoder(x)
        x_hat = self.decoder(z)
        loss = F.mse_loss(x_hat, x)
        # Logging to TensorBoard by default
        self.log('train_loss', loss)
        return loss

    def configure_optimizers(self):
        optimizer = torch.optim.Adam(self.parameters(), lr=1e-3)
        return optimizer
```

### SYSTEM VS MODEL

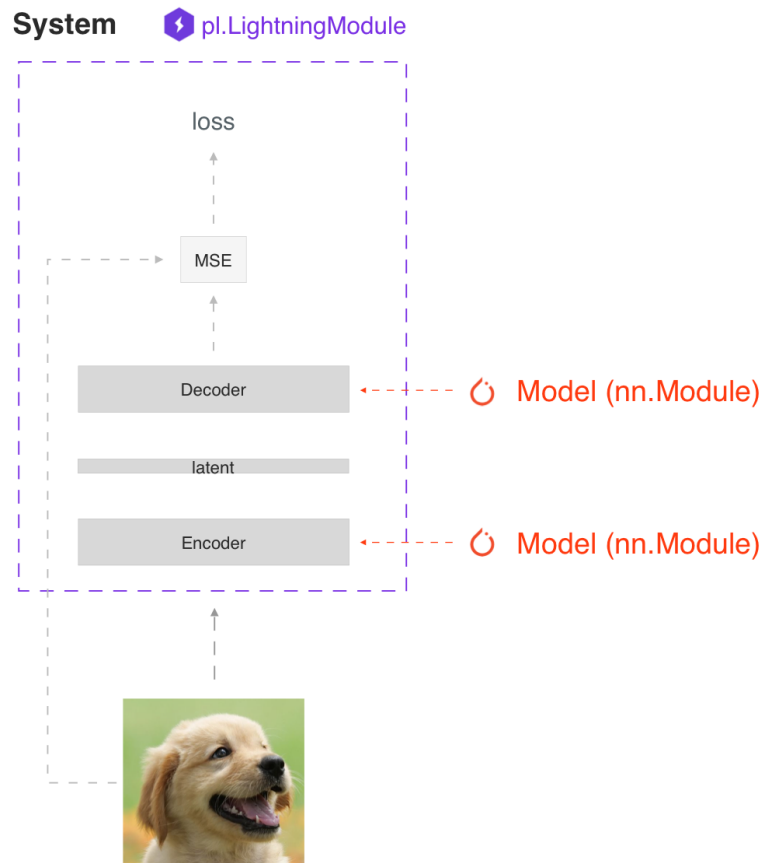
A *lightning module* defines a *system* not a model.

Examples of systems are:

- Autoencoder
- BERT
- DQN
- GAN
- Image classifier
- Seq2seq
- SimCLR
- VAE

Under the hood a LightningModule is still just a `torch.nn.Module` that groups all research code into a single file to make it self-contained:





- The Train loop
- The Validation loop
- The Test loop
- The Model or system of Models
- The Optimizer

You can customize any part of training (such as the backward pass) by overriding any of the 20+ hooks found in [Available Callback hooks](#)

```
class LitAutoEncoder(LightningModule):  
  
    def backward(self, loss, optimizer, optimizer_idx):  
        loss.backward()
```

### FORWARD vs TRAINING\_STEP

In Lightning we separate training from inference. The `training_step` defines the full training loop. We encourage users to use the forward to define inference actions.

For example, in this case we could define the autoencoder to act as an embedding extractor:

```
def forward(self, x):  
    embeddings = self.encoder(x)  
    return embeddings
```

Of course, nothing is stopping you from using forward from within the `training_step`.

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):  
    ...  
    z = self(x)
```

It really comes down to your application. We do, however, recommend that you keep both intents separate.

- Use forward for inference (predicting).
- Use `training_step` for training.

More details in [lightning module](#) docs.

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## 1.3 Step 2: Fit with Lightning Trainer

First, define the data however you want. Lightning just needs a `DataLoader` for the train/val/test splits.

```
dataset = MNIST(os.getcwd(), download=True, transform=transforms.ToTensor())  
train_loader = DataLoader(dataset)
```

Next, init the [lightning module](#) and the PyTorch Lightning Trainer, then call fit with both the data and model.

```
# init model  
autoencoder = LitAutoEncoder()  
  
# most basic trainer, uses good defaults (auto-tensorboard, checkpoints, logs, and_  
↪ more)
```

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```
# trainer = pl.Trainer(gpus=8) (if you have GPUs)
trainer = pl.Trainer()
trainer.fit(autoencoder, train_loader)
```

The `Trainer` automates:

- Epoch and batch iteration
- Calling of `optimizer.step()`, `backward`, `zero_grad()`
- Calling of `.eval()`, enabling/disabling grads
- *weights loading*
- Tensorboard (see *loggers* options)
- *Multi-GPU* support
- *TPU*
- *AMP* support

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**Tip:** If you prefer to manually manage optimizers you can use the *Manual optimization* mode (ie: RL, GANs, etc...).

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### That's it!

These are the main 2 concepts you need to know in Lightning. All the other features of lightning are either features of the `Trainer` or `LightningModule`.

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## 1.4 Basic features

### 1.4.1 Manual vs automatic optimization

#### Automatic optimization

With Lightning, you don't need to worry about when to enable/disable grads, do a backward pass, or update optimizers as long as you return a loss with an attached graph from the *training\_step*, Lightning will automate the optimization.

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    loss = self.encoder(batch)
    return loss
```

## Manual optimization

However, for certain research like GANs, reinforcement learning, or something with multiple optimizers or an inner loop, you can turn off automatic optimization and fully control the training loop yourself.

Turn off automatic optimization and you control the train loop!

```
def __init__(self):
    self.automatic_optimization = False

def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # access your optimizers with use_pl_optimizer=False. Default is True
    opt_a, opt_b = self.optimizers(use_pl_optimizer=True)

    loss_a = self.generator(batch)
    opt_a.zero_grad()
    # use `manual_backward()` instead of `loss.backward` to automate half precision,
    ↪ etc...
    self.manual_backward(loss_a)
    opt_a.step()

    loss_b = self.discriminator(batch)
    opt_b.zero_grad()
    self.manual_backward(loss_b)
    opt_b.step()
```

## 1.4.2 Predict or Deploy

When you're done training, you have 3 options to use your LightningModule for predictions.

### Option 1: Sub-models

Pull out any model inside your system for predictions.

```
# -----
# to use as embedding extractor
# -----
autoencoder = LitAutoEncoder.load_from_checkpoint('path/to/checkpoint_file.ckpt')
encoder_model = autoencoder.encoder
encoder_model.eval()

# -----
# to use as image generator
# -----
decoder_model = autoencoder.decoder
decoder_model.eval()
```

## Option 2: Forward

You can also add a forward method to do predictions however you want.

```
# -----
# using the AE to extract embeddings
# -----
class LitAutoEncoder(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.encoder = nn.Sequential()

    def forward(self, x):
        embedding = self.encoder(x)
        return embedding

autoencoder = LitAutoEncoder()
autoencoder = autoencoder(torch.rand(1, 28 * 28))
```

```
# -----
# or using the AE to generate images
# -----
class LitAutoEncoder(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.decoder = nn.Sequential()

    def forward(self):
        z = torch.rand(1, 3)
        image = self.decoder(z)
        image = image.view(1, 1, 28, 28)
        return image

autoencoder = LitAutoEncoder()
image_sample = autoencoder()
```

## Option 3: Production

For production systems, onnx or torchscript are much faster. Make sure you have added a forward method or trace only the sub-models you need.

```
# -----
# torchscript
# -----
autoencoder = LitAutoEncoder()
torch.jit.save(autoencoder.to_torchscript(), "model.pt")
os.path.isfile("model.pt")
```

```
# -----
# onnx
# -----
with tempfile.NamedTemporaryFile(suffix='.onnx', delete=False) as tmpfile:
    autoencoder = LitAutoEncoder()
    input_sample = torch.randn((1, 28 * 28))
    autoencoder.to_onnx(tmpfile.name, input_sample, export_params=True)
    os.path.isfile(tmpfile.name)
```

### 1.4.3 Using CPUs/GPUs/TPUs

It's trivial to use CPUs, GPUs or TPUs in Lightning. There's **NO NEED** to change your code, simply change the Trainer options.

```
# train on CPU
trainer = Trainer()
```

```
# train on 8 CPUs
trainer = Trainer(num_processes=8)
```

```
# train on 1024 CPUs across 128 machines
trainer = pl.Trainer(
    num_processes=8,
    num_nodes=128
)
```

```
# train on 1 GPU
trainer = pl.Trainer(gpus=1)
```

```
# train on multiple GPUs across nodes (32 gpus here)
trainer = pl.Trainer(
    gpus=4,
    num_nodes=8
)
```

```
# train on gpu 1, 3, 5 (3 gpus total)
trainer = pl.Trainer(gpus=[1, 3, 5])
```

```
# Multi GPU with mixed precision
trainer = pl.Trainer(gpus=2, precision=16)
```

```
# Train on TPUs
trainer = pl.Trainer(tpu_cores=8)
```

Without changing a SINGLE line of your code, you can now do the following with the above code:

```
# train on TPUs using 16 bit precision
# using only half the training data and checking validation every quarter of a
↪training epoch
trainer = pl.Trainer(
    tpu_cores=8,
    precision=16,
    limit_train_batches=0.5,
    val_check_interval=0.25
)
```

### 1.4.4 Checkpoints

Lightning automatically saves your model. Once you've trained, you can load the checkpoints as follows:

```
model = LitModel.load_from_checkpoint(path)
```

The above checkpoint contains all the arguments needed to init the model and set the state dict. If you prefer to do it manually, here's the equivalent

```
# load the ckpt
ckpt = torch.load('path/to/checkpoint.ckpt')

# equivalent to the above
model = LitModel()
model.load_state_dict(ckpt['state_dict'])
```

### 1.4.5 Data flow

Each loop (training, validation, test) has three hooks you can implement:

- `x_step`
- `x_step_end`
- `x_epoch_end`

To illustrate how data flows, we'll use the training loop (ie: `x=training`)

```
outs = []
for batch in data:
    out = training_step(batch)
    outs.append(out)
training_epoch_end(outs)
```

The equivalent in Lightning is:

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    prediction = ...
    return prediction

def training_epoch_end(self, training_step_outputs):
    for prediction in predictions:
        # do something with these
```

In the event that you use DP or DDP2 distributed modes (ie: split a batch across GPUs), use the `x_step_end` to manually aggregate (or don't implement it to let lightning auto-aggregate for you).

```
for batch in data:
    model_copies = copy_model_per_gpu(model, num_gpus)
    batch_split = split_batch_per_gpu(batch, num_gpus)

    gpu_outs = []
    for model, batch_part in zip(model_copies, batch_split):
        # LightningModule hook
        gpu_out = model.training_step(batch_part)
```

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```
gpu_outs.append(gpu_out)

# LightningModule hook
out = training_step_end(gpu_outs)
```

The lightning equivalent is:

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    loss = ...
    return loss

def training_step_end(self, losses):
    gpu_0_loss = losses[0]
    gpu_1_loss = losses[1]
    return (gpu_0_loss + gpu_1_loss) * 1/2
```

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**Tip:** The validation and test loops have the same structure.

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## 1.4.6 Logging

To log to Tensorboard, your favorite logger, and/or the progress bar, use the `log()` method which can be called from any method in the `LightningModule`.

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    self.log('my_metric', x)
```

The `log()` method has a few options:

- `on_step` (logs the metric at that step in training)
- `on_epoch` (automatically accumulates and logs at the end of the epoch)
- `prog_bar` (logs to the progress bar)
- `logger` (logs to the logger like Tensorboard)

Depending on where the log is called from, Lightning auto-determines the correct mode for you. But of course you can override the default behavior by manually setting the flags

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**Note:** Setting `on_epoch=True` will accumulate your logged values over the full training epoch.

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```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    self.log('my_loss', loss, on_step=True, on_epoch=True, prog_bar=True, logger=True)
```

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**Note:** The loss value shown in the progress bar is smoothed (averaged) over the last values, so it differs from the actual loss returned in the train/validation step.

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You can also use any method of your logger directly:



```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    tensorboard = self.logger.experiment
    tensorboard.add_summary_writer_method_you_want()
```

Once your training starts, you can view the logs by using your favorite logger or booting up the Tensorboard logs:

```
tensorboard --logdir ./lightning_logs
```

**Note:** Lightning automatically shows the loss value returned from `training_step` in the progress bar. So, no need to explicitly log like this `self.log('loss', loss, prog_bar=True)`.

Read more about *loggers*.

## 1.4.7 Optional extensions

### Callbacks

A callback is an arbitrary self-contained program that can be executed at arbitrary parts of the training loop.

Here's an example adding a not-so-fancy learning rate decay rule:

```
from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import Callback

class DecayLearningRate(Callback):

    def __init__(self):
        self.old_lrs = []

    def on_train_start(self, trainer, pl_module):
        # track the initial learning rates
        for opt_idx, optimizer in enumerate(trainer.optimizers):
            group = [param_group['lr'] for param_group in optimizer.param_groups]
            self.old_lrs.append(group)

    def on_train_epoch_end(self, trainer, pl_module, outputs):
        for opt_idx, optimizer in enumerate(trainer.optimizers):
            old_lr_group = self.old_lrs[opt_idx]
            new_lr_group = []
            for p_idx, param_group in enumerate(optimizer.param_groups):
                old_lr = old_lr_group[p_idx]
                new_lr = old_lr * 0.98
                new_lr_group.append(new_lr)
                param_group['lr'] = new_lr
            self.old_lrs[opt_idx] = new_lr_group

# And pass the callback to the Trainer
decay_callback = DecayLearningRate()
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[decay_callback])
```

Things you can do with a callback:

- Send emails at some point in training
- Grow the model

- Update learning rates
- Visualize gradients
- ...
- You are only limited by your imagination

*Learn more about custom callbacks.*

## LightningDataModules

DataLoaders and data processing code tends to end up scattered around. Make your data code reusable by organizing it into a *LightningDataModule*.

```
class MNISTDataModule(LightningDataModule):

    def __init__(self, batch_size=32):
        super().__init__()
        self.batch_size = batch_size

    # When doing distributed training, Datamodules have two optional arguments for
    # granular control over download/prepare/splitting data:

    # OPTIONAL, called only on 1 GPU/machine
    def prepare_data(self):
        MNIST(os.getcwd(), train=True, download=True)
        MNIST(os.getcwd(), train=False, download=True)

    # OPTIONAL, called for every GPU/machine (assigning state is OK)
    def setup(self, stage: Optional[str] = None):
        # transforms
        transform=transforms.Compose([
            transforms.ToTensor(),
            transforms.Normalize((0.1307,), (0.3081,))
        ])
        # split dataset
        if stage in (None, 'fit'):
            mnist_train = MNIST(os.getcwd(), train=True, transform=transform)
            self.mnist_train, self.mnist_val = random_split(mnist_train, [55000, ↪5000])
        if stage == (None, 'test'):
            self.mnist_test = MNIST(os.getcwd(), train=False, transform=transform)

    # return the dataloader for each split
    def train_dataloader(self):
        mnist_train = DataLoader(self.mnist_train, batch_size=self.batch_size)
        return mnist_train

    def val_dataloader(self):
        mnist_val = DataLoader(self.mnist_val, batch_size=self.batch_size)
        return mnist_val

    def test_dataloader(self):
        mnist_test = DataLoader(self.mnist_test, batch_size=self.batch_size)
        return mnist_test
```

*LightningDataModule* is designed to enable sharing and reusing data splits and transforms across different projects. It encapsulates all the steps needed to process data: downloading, tokenizing, processing etc.

Now you can simply pass your *LightningDataModule* to the Trainer:

```
# init model
model = LitModel()

# init data
dm = MNISTDataModule()

# train
trainer = pl.Trainer()
trainer.fit(model, dm)

# test
trainer.test(datamodule=dm)
```

DataModules are specifically useful for building models based on data. Read more on [datamodules](#).

### 1.4.8 Debugging

Lightning has many tools for debugging. Here is an example of just a few of them:

```
# use only 10 train batches and 3 val batches
trainer = Trainer(limit_train_batches=10, limit_val_batches=3)
```

```
# Automatically overfit the same batch of your model for a sanity test
trainer = Trainer(overfit_batches=1)
```

```
# unit test all the code- hits every line of your code once to see if you have bugs,
# instead of waiting hours to crash on validation
trainer = Trainer(fast_dev_run=True)
```

```
# train only 20% of an epoch
trainer = Trainer(limit_train_batches=0.2)
```

```
# run validation every 25% of a training epoch
trainer = Trainer(val_check_interval=0.25)
```

```
# Profile your code to find speed/memory bottlenecks
Trainer(profiler="simple")
```

## 1.5 Other cool features

Once you define and train your first Lightning model, you might want to try other cool features like

- *Automatic early stopping*
- *Automatic truncated-back-propagation-through-time*
- *Automatically scale your batch size*
- *Automatically find a good learning rate*

- *Load checkpoints directly from S3*
- *Scale to massive compute clusters*
- *Use multiple dataloaders per train/val/test loop*
- *Use multiple optimizers to do reinforcement learning or even GANs*

Or read our [Guide](#) to learn more!

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### 1.5.1 Grid AI

Grid AI is our native solution for large scale training and tuning on the cloud.

Get started for free with your [GitHub](#) or [Google Account](#) [here](#).

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## 1.6 Community

Our community of core maintainers and thousands of expert researchers is active on our [Slack](#) and [GitHub Discussions](#). Drop by to hang out, ask Lightning questions or even discuss research!

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### 1.6.1 Masterclass

We also offer a Masterclass to teach you the advanced uses of Lightning.



## HOW TO ORGANIZE PYTORCH INTO LIGHTNING

To enable your code to work with Lightning, here's how to organize PyTorch into Lightning

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### 2.1 1. Move your computational code

Move the model architecture and forward pass to your *lightning module*.

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):  
  
    def __init__(self):  
        super().__init__()   
        self.layer_1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, 128)  
        self.layer_2 = nn.Linear(128, 10)  
  
    def forward(self, x):  
        x = x.view(x.size(0), -1)  
        x = self.layer_1(x)  
        x = F.relu(x)  
        x = self.layer_2(x)  
        return x
```

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### 2.2 2. Move the optimizer(s) and schedulers

Move your optimizers to the `configure_optimizers()` hook.

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):  
  
    def configure_optimizers(self):  
        optimizer = torch.optim.Adam(self.parameters(), lr=1e-3)  
        return optimizer
```

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## 2.3 3. Find the train loop “meat”

Lightning automates most of the training for you, the epoch and batch iterations, all you need to keep is the training step logic. This should go into the `training_step()` hook (make sure to use the hook parameters, `batch` and `batch_idx` in this case):

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):  
  
    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):  
        x, y = batch  
        y_hat = self(x)  
        loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)  
        return loss
```

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## 2.4 4. Find the val loop “meat”

To add an (optional) validation loop add logic to the `validation_step()` hook (make sure to use the hook parameters, `batch` and `batch_idx` in this case).

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):  
  
    def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):  
        x, y = batch  
        y_hat = self(x)  
        val_loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)  
        return val_loss
```

---

**Note:** `model.eval()` and `torch.no_grad()` are called automatically for validation

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## 2.5 5. Find the test loop “meat”

To add an (optional) test loop add logic to the `test_step()` hook (make sure to use the hook parameters, `batch` and `batch_idx` in this case).

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):  
  
    def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx):  
        x, y = batch  
        y_hat = self(x)  
        loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)  
        return loss
```

---

**Note:** `model.eval()` and `torch.no_grad()` are called automatically for testing.

---

The test loop will not be used until you call.

```
trainer.test()
```

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**Tip:** `.test()` loads the best checkpoint automatically

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## 2.6 6. Remove any `.cuda()` or `to.device()` calls

Your *lightning module* can automatically run on any hardware!





## RAPID PROTOTYPING TEMPLATES

Use these templates for rapid prototyping

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### 3.1 General Use

Use case	Description	link
Scratch model	To prototype quickly / debug with random data	
Scratch model with manual optimization	To prototype quickly / debug with random data	



## STYLE GUIDE

A main goal of Lightning is to improve readability and reproducibility. Imagine looking into any GitHub repo, finding a lightning module and knowing exactly where to look to find the things you care about.

The goal of this style guide is to encourage Lightning code to be structured similarly.

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### 4.1 LightningModule

These are best practices about structuring your LightningModule

#### 4.1.1 Systems vs models

The main principle behind a LightningModule is that a full system should be self-contained. In Lightning we differentiate between a system and a model.

A model is something like a resnet18, RNN, etc.

A system defines how a collection of models interact with each other. Examples of this are:

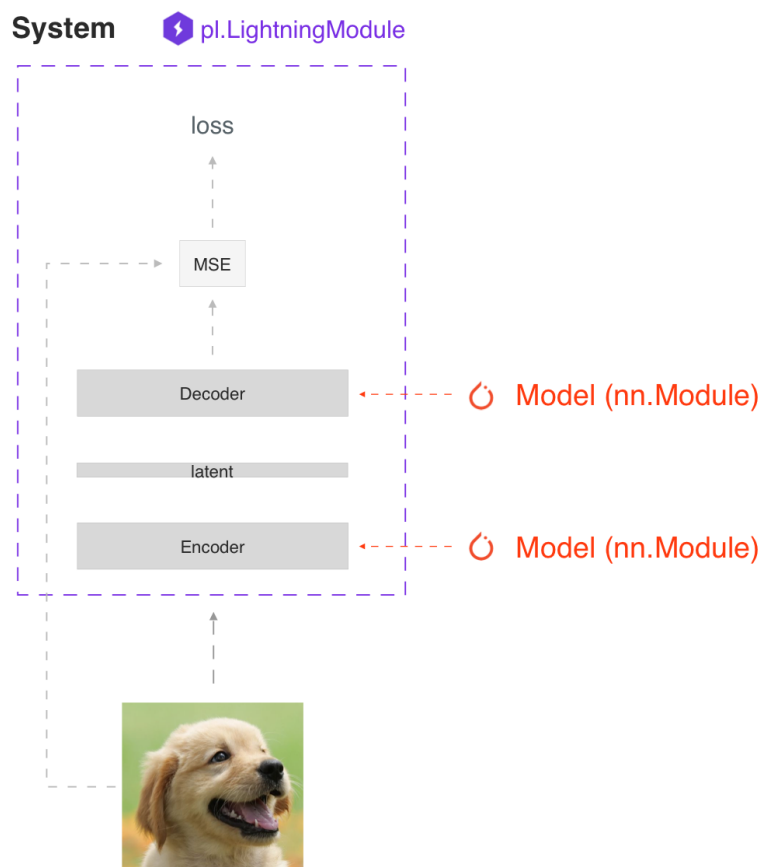
- GANs
- Seq2Seq
- BERT
- etc

A LightningModule can define both a system and a model.

Here's a LightningModule that defines a model:

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self, num_layers: int = 3):
        super().__init__()
        self.layer_1 = nn.Linear()
        self.layer_2 = nn.Linear()
        self.layer_3 = nn.Linear()
```

Here's a LightningModule that defines a system:



```
class LitModel(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self, encoder: nn.Module = None, decoder: nn.Module = None):
        super().__init__()
        self.encoder = encoder
        self.decoder = decoder
```

For fast prototyping it's often useful to define all the computations in a `LightningModule`. For reusability and scalability it might be better to pass in the relevant backbones.

### 4.1.2 Self-contained

A Lightning module should be self-contained. A good test to see how self-contained your model is, is to ask yourself this question:

“Can someone drop this file into a Trainer without knowing anything about the internals?”

For example, we couple the optimizer with a model because the majority of models require a specific optimizer with a specific learning rate scheduler to work well.

### 4.1.3 Init

The first place where `LightningModules` tend to stop being self-contained is in the `init`. Try to define all the relevant sensible defaults in the `init` so that the user doesn't have to guess.

Here's an example where a user will have to go hunt through files to figure out how to `init` this `LightningModule`.

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self, params):
        self.lr = params.lr
        self.coef_x = params.coef_x
```

Models defined as such leave you with many questions; what is `coef_x`? is it a string? a float? what is the range? etc...

Instead, be explicit in your `init`

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self, encoder: nn.Module, coeff_x: float = 0.2, lr: float = 1e-3):
        ...
```

Now the user doesn't have to guess. Instead they know the value type and the model has a sensible default where the user can see the value immediately.

### 4.1.4 Method order

The only required methods in the `LightningModule` are:

- `init`
- `training_step`
- `configure_optimizers`

However, if you decide to implement the rest of the optional methods, the recommended order is:

- model/system definition (`init`)

- if doing inference, define forward
- training hooks
- validation hooks
- test hooks
- configure\_optimizers
- any other hooks

In practice, this code looks like:

```
class LitModel(pl.LightningModule):  
  
    def __init__(...):  
  
    def forward(...):  
  
    def training_step(...)  
  
    def training_step_end(...)  
  
    def training_epoch_end(...)  
  
    def validation_step(...)  
  
    def validation_step_end(...)  
  
    def validation_epoch_end(...)  
  
    def test_step(...)  
  
    def test_step_end(...)  
  
    def test_epoch_end(...)  
  
    def configure_optimizers(...)  
  
    def any_extra_hook(...)
```

### 4.1.5 Forward vs training\_step

We recommend using forward for inference/predictions and keeping training\_step independent

```
def forward(...):  
    embeddings = self.encoder(x)  
  
def training_step(...):  
    x, y = ...  
    z = self.encoder(x)  
    pred = self.decoder(z)  
    ...
```

However, when using DataParallel, you will need to call forward manually

```
def training_step(...):  
    x, y = ...  
    z = self(x) # < ----- instead of self.encoder(x)  
    pred = self.decoder(z)  
    ...
```

---

## 4.2 Data

These are best practices for handling data.

### 4.2.1 Dataloaders

Lightning uses dataloaders to handle all the data flow through the system. Whenever you structure dataloaders, make sure to tune the number of workers for maximum efficiency.

**Warning:** Make sure not to use `ddp_spawn` with `num_workers > 0` or you will bottleneck your code.

### 4.2.2 DataModules

Lightning introduced datamodules. The problem with dataloaders is that sharing full datasets is often still challenging because all these questions need to be answered:

- What splits were used?
- How many samples does this dataset have?
- What transforms were used?
- etc...

It's for this reason that we recommend you use datamodules. This is specially important when collaborating because it will save your team a lot of time as well.

All they need to do is drop a datamodule into a lightning trainer and not worry about what was done to the data.

This is true for both academic and corporate settings where data cleaning and ad-hoc instructions slow down the progress of iterating through ideas.





## FAST PERFORMANCE TIPS

Lightning builds in all the micro-optimizations we can find to increase your performance. But we can only automate so much.

Here are some additional things you can do to increase your performance.

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### 5.1 Dataloaders

When building your `DataLoader` set `num_workers > 0` and `pin_memory=True` (only for GPUs).

```
Dataloader(dataset, num_workers=8, pin_memory=True)
```

#### 5.1.1 num\_workers

The question of how many `num_workers` is tricky. Here's a summary of some references, [1], and our suggestions.

1. `num_workers=0` means ONLY the main process will load batches (that can be a bottleneck).
2. `num_workers=1` means ONLY one worker (just not the main process) will load data but it will still be slow.
3. The `num_workers` depends on the batch size and your machine.
4. A general place to start is to set `num_workers` equal to the number of CPUs on that machine.

**Warning:** Increasing `num_workers` will ALSO increase your CPU memory consumption.

The best thing to do is to increase the `num_workers` slowly and stop once you see no more improvement in your training speed.

### 5.1.2 Spawn

When using `accelerator=ddp_spawn` (the `ddp` default) or TPU training, the way multiple GPUs/TPU cores are used is by calling `.spawn()` under the hood. The problem is that PyTorch has issues with `num_workers > 0` when using `.spawn()`. For this reason we recommend you use `accelerator=ddp` so you can increase the `num_workers`, however your script has to be callable like so:

```
python my_program.py --gpus X
```

---

## 5.2 .item(), .numpy(), .cpu()

Don't call `.item()` anywhere in your code. Use `.detach()` instead to remove the connected graph calls. Lightning takes a great deal of care to be optimized for this.

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## 5.3 empty\_cache()

Don't call this unnecessarily! Every time you call this ALL your GPUs have to wait to sync.

---

## 5.4 Construct tensors directly on the device

LightningModules know what device they are on! Construct tensors on the device directly to avoid CPU->Device transfer.

```
# bad
t = torch.rand(2, 2).cuda()

# good (self is LightningModule)
t = torch.rand(2, 2, device=self.device)
```

For tensors that need to be model attributes, it is best practice to register them as buffers in the modules's `__init__` method:

```
# bad
self.t = torch.rand(2, 2, device=self.device)

# good
self.register_buffer("t", torch.rand(2, 2))
```

---

## 5.5 Use DDP not DP

DP performs three GPU transfers for EVERY batch:

1. Copy model to device.
2. Copy data to device.
3. Copy outputs of each device back to master.

Whereas DDP only performs 1 transfer to sync gradients. Because of this, DDP is MUCH faster than DP.

## 5.6 When using DDP set `find_unused_parameters=False`

By default we have enabled find unused parameters to True. This is for compatibility issues that have arisen in the past (see the [discussion](#) for more information). This by default comes with a performance hit, and can be disabled in most cases.

```
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DDPPlugin

trainer = pl.Trainer(
    gpus=2,
    plugins=DDPPlugin(find_unused_parameters=False),
)
```

## 5.7 16-bit precision

Use 16-bit to decrease the memory consumption (and thus increase your batch size). On certain GPUs (V100s, 2080tis), 16-bit calculations are also faster. However, know that 16-bit and multi-processing (any DDP) can have issues. Here are some common problems.

1. **CUDA error: an illegal memory access was encountered.** The solution is likely setting a specific CUDA, CUDNN, PyTorch version combination.
2. CUDA error: device-side assert triggered. This is a general catch-all error. To see the actual error run your script like so:

```
# won't see what the error is
python main.py

# will see what the error is
CUDA_LAUNCH_BLOCKING=1 python main.py
```

**Tip:** We also recommend using 16-bit native found in PyTorch 1.6. Just install this version and Lightning will automatically use it.

## 5.8 Advanced GPU Optimizations

When training on single or multiple GPU machines, Lightning offers a host of advanced optimizations to improve throughput, memory efficiency, and model scaling. Refer to *Advanced GPU Optimized Training for more details*.

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## 5.9 Preload Data Into RAM

When your training or preprocessing requires many operations to be performed on entire dataset(s) it can sometimes be beneficial to store all data in RAM given there is enough space. However, loading all data at the beginning of the training script has the disadvantage that it can take a long time and hence it slows down the development process. Another downside is that in multiprocessing (e.g. DDP) the data would get copied in each process. One can overcome these problems by copying the data into RAM in advance. Most UNIX-based operating systems provide direct access to tmpfs through a mount point typically named `/dev/shm`.

0. Increase shared memory if necessary. Refer to the documentation of your OS how to do this.

1. Copy training data to shared memory:

```
cp -r /path/to/data/on/disk /dev/shm/
```

2. Refer to the new data root in your script or command line arguments:

```
datamodule = MyDataModule(data_root="/dev/shm/my_data")
```

---

## 5.10 Zero Grad `set_to_none=True`

In order to modestly improve performance, you can override `optimizer_zero_grad()`.

For a more detailed explanation of pros / cons of this technique, read [this](#) documentation by the PyTorch team.

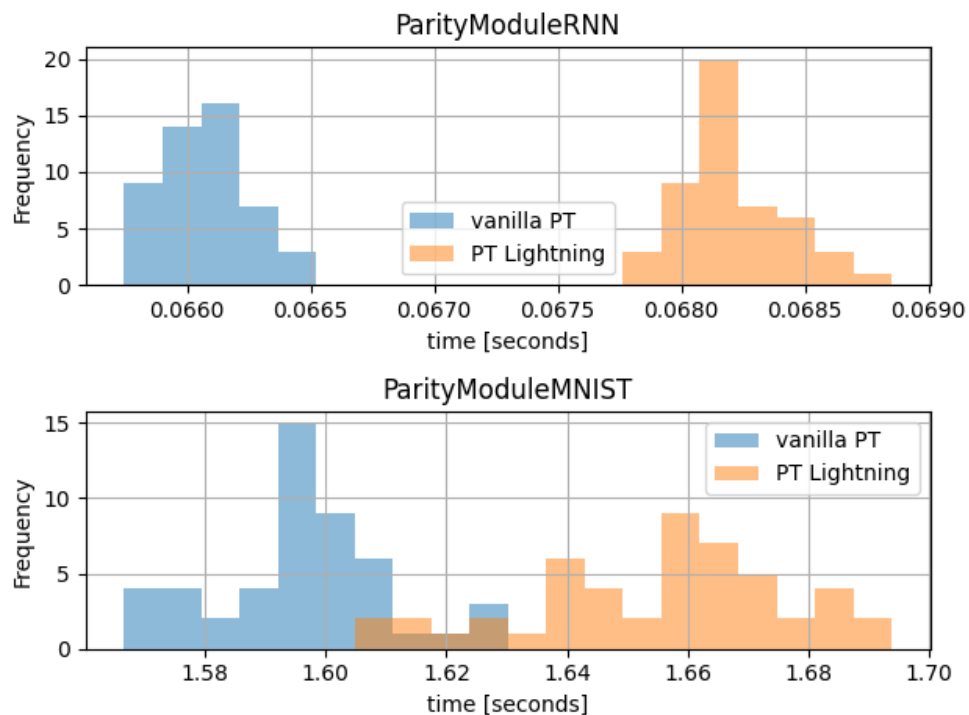
```
class Model(LightningModule):  
  
    def optimizer_zero_grad(self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx):  
        optimizer.zero_grad(set_to_none=True)
```

## BENCHMARK WITH VANILLA PYTORCH

In this section we set grounds for comparison between vanilla PyTorch and PT Lightning for most common scenarios.

### 6.1 Time comparison

We have set regular benchmarking against PyTorch vanilla training loop on with RNN and simple MNIST classifier as per of our CI. In average for simple MNIST CNN classifier we are only about 0.06s slower per epoch, see detail chart below.





## LIGHTNINGMODULE

A `LightningModule` organizes your PyTorch code into 5 sections

- Computations (`init`).
- Train loop (`training_step`)
- Validation loop (`validation_step`)
- Test loop (`test_step`)
- Optimizers (`configure_optimizers`)

Notice a few things.

1. It's the SAME code.
2. The PyTorch code IS NOT abstracted - just organized.
3. All the other code that's not in the `LightningModule` has been automated for you by the trainer.

```
net = Net()
trainer = Trainer()
trainer.fit(net)
```

4. There are no `.cuda()` or `.to()` calls... Lightning does these for you.

```
# don't do in lightning
x = torch.Tensor(2, 3)
x = x.cuda()
x = x.to(device)
```

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```
# do this instead
x = x # leave it alone!

# or to init a new tensor
new_x = torch.Tensor(2, 3)
new_x = new_x.type_as(x)
```

5. There are no samplers for distributed, Lightning also does this for you.

```
# Don't do in Lightning...
data = MNIST(...)
sampler = DistributedSampler(data)
DataLoader(data, sampler=sampler)

# do this instead
data = MNIST(...)
DataLoader(data)
```

6. A `LightningModule` is a `torch.nn.Module` but with added functionality. Use it as such!

```
net = Net.load_from_checkpoint(PATH)
net.freeze()
out = net(x)
```

Thus, to use Lightning, you just need to organize your code which takes about 30 minutes, (and let's be real, you probably should do anyhow).

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## 7.1 Minimal Example

Here are the only required methods.

```
>>> import pytorch_lightning as pl
>>> class LitModel(pl.LightningModule):
...
...     def __init__(self):
...         super().__init__()
...         self.l1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, 10)
...
...     def forward(self, x):
...         return torch.relu(self.l1(x.view(x.size(0), -1)))
...
...     def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
...         x, y = batch
```

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```

...     y_hat = self(x)
...     loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)
...     return loss
...
...     def configure_optimizers(self):
...         return torch.optim.Adam(self.parameters(), lr=0.02)

```

Which you can train by doing:

```

train_loader = DataLoader(MNIST(os.getcwd(), download=True, transform=transforms.
    ↳ToTensor()))
trainer = pl.Trainer()
model = LitModel()

trainer.fit(model, train_loader)

```

The LightningModule has many convenience methods, but the core ones you need to know about are:

Name	Description
init	Define computations here
forward	Use for inference only (separate from training_step)
training_step	the full training loop
validation_step	the full validation loop
test_step	the full test loop
configure_optimizers	define optimizers and LR schedulers

## 7.2 Training

### 7.2.1 Training loop

To add a training loop use the *training\_step* method

```

class LitClassifier(pl.LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, model):
        super().__init__()
        self.model = model

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, y = batch
        y_hat = self.model(x)
        loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)
        return loss

```

Under the hood, Lightning does the following (pseudocode):

```

# put model in train mode
model.train()
torch.set_grad_enabled(True)

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```

losses = []
for batch in train_dataloader:
    # forward
    loss = training_step(batch)
    losses.append(loss.detach())

    # clear gradients
    optimizer.zero_grad()

    # backward
    loss.backward()

    # update parameters
    optimizer.step()

```

## Training epoch-level metrics

If you want to calculate epoch-level metrics and log them, use the `.log` method

```

def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch
    y_hat = self.model(x)
    loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)

    # logs metrics for each training_step,
    # and the average across the epoch, to the progress bar and logger
    self.log('train_loss', loss, on_step=True, on_epoch=True, prog_bar=True,
    ↪ logger=True)
    return loss

```

The `.log` object automatically reduces the requested metrics across the full epoch. Here's the pseudocode of what it does under the hood:

```

outs = []
for batch in train_dataloader:
    # forward
    out = training_step(val_batch)

    # clear gradients
    optimizer.zero_grad()

    # backward
    loss.backward()

    # update parameters
    optimizer.step()

epoch_metric = torch.mean(torch.stack([x['train_loss'] for x in outs]))

```

## Train epoch-level operations

If you need to do something with all the outputs of each *training\_step*, override *training\_epoch\_end* yourself.

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch
    y_hat = self.model(x)
    loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)
    preds = ...
    return {'loss': loss, 'other_stuff': preds}

def training_epoch_end(self, training_step_outputs):
    for pred in training_step_outputs:
        # do something
```

The matching pseudocode is:

```
outs = []
for batch in train_dataloader:
    # forward
    out = training_step(val_batch)

    # clear gradients
    optimizer.zero_grad()

    # backward
    loss.backward()

    # update parameters
    optimizer.step()

training_epoch_end(outs)
```

## Training with DataParallel

When training using a *accelerator* that splits data from each batch across GPUs, sometimes you might need to aggregate them on the master GPU for processing (dp, or ddp2).

In this case, implement the *training\_step\_end* method

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch
    y_hat = self.model(x)
    loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)
    pred = ...
    return {'loss': loss, 'pred': pred}

def training_step_end(self, batch_parts):
    gpu_0_prediction = batch_parts[0]['pred']
    gpu_1_prediction = batch_parts[1]['pred']

    # do something with both outputs
    return (batch_parts[0]['loss'] + batch_parts[1]['loss']) / 2

def training_epoch_end(self, training_step_outputs):
    for out in training_step_outputs:
        # do something with preds
```

The full pseudocode that lightning does under the hood is:

```
outs = []
for train_batch in train_dataloader:
    batches = split_batch(train_batch)
    dp_outs = []
    for sub_batch in batches:
        # 1
        dp_out = training_step(sub_batch)
        dp_outs.append(dp_out)

        # 2
    out = training_step_end(dp_outs)
    outs.append(out)

# do something with the outputs for all batches
# 3
training_epoch_end(outs)
```

---

## 7.2.2 Validation loop

To add a validation loop, override the `validation_step` method of the `LightningModule`:

```
class LitModel(pl.LightningModule):
    def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, y = batch
        y_hat = self.model(x)
        loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)
        self.log('val_loss', loss)
```

Under the hood, Lightning does the following:

```
# ...
for batch in train_dataloader:
    loss = model.training_step()
    loss.backward()
    # ...

if validate_at_some_point:
    # disable grads + batchnorm + dropout
    torch.set_grad_enabled(False)
    model.eval()

    # ----- VAL LOOP -----
    for val_batch in model.val_dataloader:
        val_out = model.validation_step(val_batch)
    # ----- VAL LOOP -----

    # enable grads + batchnorm + dropout
    torch.set_grad_enabled(True)
    model.train()
```

## Validation epoch-level metrics

If you need to do something with all the outputs of each *validation\_step*, override *validation\_epoch\_end*.

```
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch
    y_hat = self.model(x)
    loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)
    pred = ...
    return pred

def validation_epoch_end(self, validation_step_outputs):
    for pred in validation_step_outputs:
        # do something with a pred
```

## Validating with DataParallel

When training using a *accelerator* that splits data from each batch across GPUs, sometimes you might need to aggregate them on the master GPU for processing (dp, or ddp2).

In this case, implement the *validation\_step\_end* method

```
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch
    y_hat = self.model(x)
    loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)
    pred = ...
    return {'loss': loss, 'pred': pred}

def validation_step_end(self, batch_parts):
    gpu_0_prediction = batch_parts.pred[0]['pred']
    gpu_1_prediction = batch_parts.pred[1]['pred']

    # do something with both outputs
    return (batch_parts[0]['loss'] + batch_parts[1]['loss']) / 2

def validation_epoch_end(self, validation_step_outputs):
    for out in validation_step_outputs:
        # do something with preds
```

The full pseudocode that lightning does under the hood is:

```
outs = []
for batch in dataloader:
    batches = split_batch(batch)
    dp_outs = []
    for sub_batch in batches:
        # 1
        dp_out = validation_step(sub_batch)
        dp_outs.append(dp_out)

    # 2
    out = validation_step_end(dp_outs)
    outs.append(out)

# do something with the outputs for all batches
```

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```
# 3
validation_epoch_end(outs)
```

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### 7.2.3 Test loop

The process for adding a test loop is the same as the process for adding a validation loop. Please refer to the section above for details.

The only difference is that the test loop is only called when `.test()` is used:

```
model = Model()
trainer = Trainer()
trainer.fit()

# automatically loads the best weights for you
trainer.test(model)
```

There are two ways to call `test()`:

```
# call after training
trainer = Trainer()
trainer.fit(model)

# automatically auto-loads the best weights
trainer.test(test_dataloaders=test_dataloader)

# or call with pretrained model
model = MyLightningModule.load_from_checkpoint(PATH)
trainer = Trainer()
trainer.test(model, test_dataloaders=test_dataloader)
```

---

## 7.3 Inference

For research, LightningModules are best structured as systems.

```
import pytorch_lightning as pl
import torch
from torch import nn

class Autoencoder(pl.LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, latent_dim=2):
        super().__init__()
        self.encoder = nn.Sequential(nn.Linear(28 * 28, 256), nn.ReLU(), nn.
↳Linear(256, latent_dim))
        self.decoder = nn.Sequential(nn.Linear(latent_dim, 256), nn.ReLU(), nn.
↳Linear(256, 28 * 28))

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
```

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```

x, _ = batch

# encode
x = x.view(x.size(0), -1)
z = self.encoder(x)

# decode
recons = self.decoder(z)

# reconstruction
reconstruction_loss = nn.functional.mse_loss(recons, x)
return reconstruction_loss

def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, _ = batch
    x = x.view(x.size(0), -1)
    z = self.encoder(x)
    recons = self.decoder(z)
    reconstruction_loss = nn.functional.mse_loss(recons, x)
    self.log('val_reconstruction', reconstruction_loss)

def configure_optimizers(self):
    return torch.optim.Adam(self.parameters(), lr=0.0002)

```

Which can be trained like this:

```

autoencoder = Autoencoder()
trainer = pl.Trainer(gpus=1)
trainer.fit(autoencoder, train_dataloader, val_dataloader)

```

This simple model generates examples that look like this (the encoders and decoders are too weak)



The methods above are part of the lightning interface:

- training\_step
- validation\_step
- test\_step
- configure\_optimizers

Note that in this case, the train loop and val loop are exactly the same. We can of course reuse this code.

```

class Autoencoder(pl.LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, latent_dim=2):
        super().__init__()
        self.encoder = nn.Sequential(nn.Linear(28 * 28, 256), nn.ReLU(), nn.
↳ Linear(256, latent_dim))

```

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```

        self.decoder = nn.Sequential(nn.Linear(latent_dim, 256), nn.ReLU(), nn.
↪Linear(256, 28 * 28))

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        loss = self.shared_step(batch)

        return loss

    def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        loss = self.shared_step(batch)
        self.log('val_loss', loss)

    def shared_step(self, batch):
        x, _ = batch

        # encode
        x = x.view(x.size(0), -1)
        z = self.encoder(x)

        # decode
        recons = self.decoder(z)

        # loss
        return nn.functional.mse_loss(recons, x)

    def configure_optimizers(self):
        return torch.optim.Adam(self.parameters(), lr=0.0002)

```

We create a new method called *shared\_step* that all loops can use. This method name is arbitrary and NOT reserved.

### 7.3.1 Inference in research

In the case where we want to perform inference with the system we can add a *forward* method to the LightningModule.

```

class Autoencoder(pl.LightningModule):
    def forward(self, x):
        return self.decoder(x)

```

The advantage of adding a forward is that in complex systems, you can do a much more involved inference procedure, such as text generation:

```

class Seq2Seq(pl.LightningModule):

    def forward(self, x):
        embeddings = self(x)
        hidden_states = self.encoder(embeddings)
        for h in hidden_states:
            # decode
            ...
        return decoded

```



### 7.3.2 Inference in production

For cases like production, you might want to iterate different models inside a `LightningModule`.

```
import pytorch_lightning as pl
from pytorch_lightning.metrics import functional as FM

class ClassificationTask(pl.LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, model):
        super().__init__()
        self.model = model

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, y = batch
        y_hat = self.model(x)
        loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)
        return loss

    def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, y = batch
        y_hat = self.model(x)
        loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)
        acc = FM.accuracy(y_hat, y)

        metrics = {'val_acc': acc, 'val_loss': loss}
        self.log_dict(metrics)
        return metrics

    def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        metrics = self.validation_step(batch, batch_idx)
        metrics = {'test_acc': metrics['val_acc'], 'test_loss': metrics['val_loss']}
        self.log_dict(metrics)

    def configure_optimizers(self):
        return torch.optim.Adam(self.model.parameters(), lr=0.02)
```

Then pass in any arbitrary model to be fit with this task

```
for model in [resnet50(), vgg16(), BidirectionalRNN()]:
    task = ClassificationTask(model)

    trainer = Trainer(gpus=2)
    trainer.fit(task, train_dataloader, val_dataloader)
```

Tasks can be arbitrarily complex such as implementing GAN training, self-supervised or even RL.

```
class GANTask(pl.LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, generator, discriminator):
        super().__init__()
        self.generator = generator
        self.discriminator = discriminator
        ...
```

When used like this, the model can be separated from the Task and thus used in production without needing to keep it in a *LightningModule*.

- You can export to onnx.

- Or trace using Jit.
- or run in the python runtime.

```
task = ClassificationTask(model)

trainer = Trainer(gpus=2)
trainer.fit(task, train_dataloader, val_dataloader)

# use model after training or load weights and drop into the production system
model.eval()
y_hat = model(x)
```

---

## 7.4 LightningModule API

### 7.4.1 Methods

#### configure\_callbacks

`LightningModule.configure_callbacks()`

Configure model-specific callbacks. When the model gets attached, e.g., when `.fit()` or `.test()` gets called, the list returned here will be merged with the list of callbacks passed to the Trainer's `callbacks` argument. If a callback returned here has the same type as one or several callbacks already present in the Trainer's callbacks list, it will take priority and replace them. In addition, Lightning will make sure *ModelCheckpoint* callbacks run last.

**Returns** A list of callbacks which will extend the list of callbacks in the Trainer.

Example:

```
def configure_callbacks(self):
    early_stop = EarlyStopping(monitor="val_acc", mode="max")
    checkpoint = ModelCheckpoint(monitor="val_loss")
    return [early_stop, checkpoint]
```

---

**Note:** Certain callback methods like `on_init_start()` will never be invoked on the new callbacks returned here.

---

#### configure\_optimizers

`LightningModule.configure_optimizers()`

Choose what optimizers and learning-rate schedulers to use in your optimization. Normally you'd need one. But in the case of GANs or similar you might have multiple.

**Returns**

Any of these 6 options.

- **Single optimizer.**
- **List or Tuple** of optimizers.

- **Two lists** - The first list has multiple optimizers, and the second has multiple LR schedulers (or multiple `lr_dict`).
- **Dictionary**, with an "optimizer" key, and (optionally) a "lr\_scheduler" key whose value is a single LR scheduler or `lr_dict`.
- **Tuple of dictionaries** as described above, with an optional "frequency" key.
- **None** - Fit will run without any optimizer.

**Note:** The `lr_dict` is a dictionary which contains the scheduler and its associated configuration. The default configuration is shown below.

```
lr_dict = {
    'scheduler': lr_scheduler, # The LR scheduler instance (required)
    # The unit of the scheduler's step size, could also be 'step'
    'interval': 'epoch',
    'frequency': 1, # The frequency of the scheduler
    'monitor': 'val_loss', # Metric for `ReduceLROnPlateau` to monitor
    'strict': True, # Whether to crash the training if `monitor` is not found
    'name': None, # Custom name for `LearningRateMonitor` to use
}
```

Only the "scheduler" key is required, the rest will be set to the defaults above.

**Note:** The frequency value specified in a dict along with the optimizer key is an int corresponding to the number of sequential batches optimized with the specific optimizer. It should be given to none or to all of the optimizers. There is a difference between passing multiple optimizers in a list, and passing multiple optimizers in dictionaries with a frequency of 1: In the former case, all optimizers will operate on the given batch in each optimization step. In the latter, only one optimizer will operate on the given batch at every step. This is different from the frequency value specified in the `lr_dict` mentioned below.

```
def configure_optimizers(self):
    optimizer_one = torch.optim.SGD(self.model.parameters(), lr=0.01)
    optimizer_two = torch.optim.SGD(self.model.parameters(), lr=0.01)
    return [
        {'optimizer': optimizer_one, 'frequency': 5},
        {'optimizer': optimizer_two, 'frequency': 10},
    ]
```

In this example, the first optimizer will be used for the first 5 steps, the second optimizer for the next 10 steps and that cycle will continue. If an LR scheduler is specified for an optimizer using the `lr_scheduler` key in the above dict, the scheduler will only be updated when its optimizer is being used.

Examples:

```
# most cases
def configure_optimizers(self):
    return Adam(self.parameters(), lr=1e-3)

# multiple optimizer case (e.g.: GAN)
def configure_optimizers(self):
    gen_opt = Adam(self.model_gen.parameters(), lr=0.01)
    dis_opt = Adam(self.model_dis.parameters(), lr=0.02)
    return gen_opt, dis_opt
```

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```

# example with learning rate schedulers
def configure_optimizers(self):
    gen_opt = Adam(self.model_gen.parameters(), lr=0.01)
    dis_opt = Adam(self.model_dis.parameters(), lr=0.02)
    dis_sch = CosineAnnealing(dis_opt, T_max=10)
    return [gen_opt, dis_opt], [dis_sch]

# example with step-based learning rate schedulers
def configure_optimizers(self):
    gen_opt = Adam(self.model_gen.parameters(), lr=0.01)
    dis_opt = Adam(self.model_dis.parameters(), lr=0.02)
    gen_sch = {'scheduler': ExponentialLR(gen_opt, 0.99),
              'interval': 'step'} # called after each training step
    dis_sch = CosineAnnealing(dis_opt, T_max=10) # called every epoch
    return [gen_opt, dis_opt], [gen_sch, dis_sch]

# example with optimizer frequencies
# see training procedure in `Improved Training of Wasserstein GANs`, Algorithm 1
# https://arxiv.org/abs/1704.00028
def configure_optimizers(self):
    gen_opt = Adam(self.model_gen.parameters(), lr=0.01)
    dis_opt = Adam(self.model_dis.parameters(), lr=0.02)
    n_critic = 5
    return (
        {'optimizer': dis_opt, 'frequency': n_critic},
        {'optimizer': gen_opt, 'frequency': 1}
    )

```

**Note:** Some things to know:

- Lightning calls `.backward()` and `.step()` on each optimizer and learning rate scheduler as needed.
- If you use 16-bit precision (`precision=16`), Lightning will automatically handle the optimizers.
- If you use multiple optimizers, `training_step()` will have an additional `optimizer_idx` parameter.
- If you use `torch.optim.LBFGS`, Lightning handles the closure function automatically for you.
- If you use multiple optimizers, gradients will be calculated only for the parameters of current optimizer at each training step.
- If you need to control how often those optimizers step or override the default `.step()` schedule, override the `optimizer_step()` hook.

## forward

`LightningModule.forward(*args, **kwargs)`  
 Same as `torch.nn.Module.forward()`.

### Parameters

- **\*args** – Whatever you decide to pass into the forward method.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments are also possible.

**Return type** `Any`

**Returns** Your model's output

## freeze

`LightningModule.freeze()`  
 Freeze all params for inference.

Example:

```
model = MyLightningModule(...)
model.freeze()
```

**Return type** `None`

## log

`LightningModule.log(name, value, prog_bar=False, logger=True, on_step=None, on_epoch=None, reduce_fx=torch.mean, tbptt_reduce_fx=torch.mean, tbptt_pad_token=0, enable_graph=False, sync_dist=False, sync_dist_op='mean', sync_dist_group=None, add_dataloader_idx=True)`

Log a key, value

Example:

```
self.log('train_loss', loss)
```

The default behavior per hook is as follows

Table 1: \* also applies to the test loop

LightningModule Hook	on_step	on_epoch	prog_bar	logger
training_step	T	F	F	T
training_step_end	T	F	F	T
training_epoch_end	F	T	F	T
validation_step*	F	T	F	T
validation_step_end*	F	T	F	T
validation_epoch_end*	F	T	F	T

### Parameters

- **name** (`str`) – key name
- **value** (`Any`) – value name
- **prog\_bar** (`bool`) – if True logs to the progress bar

- **logger** (bool) – if True logs to the logger
- **on\_step** (Optional[bool]) – if True logs at this step. None auto-logs at the training\_step but not validation/test\_step
- **on\_epoch** (Optional[bool]) – if True logs epoch accumulated metrics. None auto-logs at the val/test step but not training\_step
- **reduce\_fx** (Callable) – reduction function over step values for end of epoch. Torch.mean by default
- **tbptt\_reduce\_fx** (Callable) – function to reduce on truncated back prop
- **tbptt\_pad\_token** (int) – token to use for padding
- **enable\_graph** (bool) – if True, will not auto detach the graph
- **sync\_dist** (bool) – if True, reduces the metric across GPUs/TPUs
- **sync\_dist\_op** (Union[Any, str]) – the op to sync across GPUs/TPUs
- **sync\_dist\_group** (Optional[Any]) – the ddp group to sync across
- **add\_dataloader\_idx** (bool) – if True, appends the index of the current dataloader to the name (when using multiple). If False, user needs to give unique names for each dataloader to not mix values

## log\_dict

```
LightningModule.log_dict(dictionary, prog_bar=False, logger=True, on_step=None,  
                          on_epoch=None, reduce_fx=torch.mean, tbptt_reduce_fx=torch.mean,  
                          tbptt_pad_token=0, enable_graph=False, sync_dist=False,  
                          sync_dist_op='mean', sync_dist_group=None,  
                          add_dataloader_idx=True)
```

Log a dictionary of values at once

Example:

```
values = {'loss': loss, 'acc': acc, ..., 'metric_n': metric_n}  
self.log_dict(values)
```

### Parameters

- **dictionary** (dict) – key value pairs (str, tensors)
- **prog\_bar** (bool) – if True logs to the progress base
- **logger** (bool) – if True logs to the logger
- **on\_step** (Optional[bool]) – if True logs at this step. None auto-logs for training\_step but not validation/test\_step
- **on\_epoch** (Optional[bool]) – if True logs epoch accumulated metrics. None auto-logs for val/test step but not training\_step
- **reduce\_fx** (Callable) – reduction function over step values for end of epoch. Torch.mean by default
- **tbptt\_reduce\_fx** (Callable) – function to reduce on truncated back prop
- **tbptt\_pad\_token** (int) – token to use for padding
- **enable\_graph** (bool) – if True, will not auto detach the graph

- `sync_dist` (bool) – if True, reduces the metric across GPUs/TPUs
- `sync_dist_op` (Union[Any, str]) – the op to sync across GPUs/TPUs
- `sync_dist_group` (Optional[Any]) – the ddp group sync across
- `add_dataloader_idx` (bool) – if True, appends the index of the current dataloader to the name (when using multiple). If False, user needs to give unique names for each dataloader to not mix values

## manual\_backward

LightningModule.**manual\_backward** (loss, optimizer=None, \*args, \*\*kwargs)

Call this directly from your training\_step when doing optimizations manually. By using this we can ensure that all the proper scaling when using 16-bit etc has been done for you.

This function forwards all args to the .backward() call as well.

See *manual optimization* for more examples.

Example:

```
def training_step(...):
    opt = self.optimizers()
    loss = ...
    opt.zero_grad()
    # automatically applies scaling, etc...
    self.manual_backward(loss)
    opt.step()
```

**Return type** None

## print

LightningModule.**print** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Prints only from process 0. Use this in any distributed mode to log only once.

### Parameters

- `*args` – The thing to print. The same as for Python’s built-in print function.
- `**kwargs` – The same as for Python’s built-in print function.

Example:

```
def forward(self, x):
    self.print(x, 'in forward')
```

**Return type** None

## predict\_step

LightningModule.**predict\_step**(*batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx=None*)

Step function called during `predict()`. By default, it calls `forward()`. Override to add any processing logic.

### Parameters

- **batch** (Any) – Current batch
- **batch\_idx** (int) – Index of current batch
- **dataloader\_idx** (Optional[int]) – Index of the current dataloader

**Return type** Any

**Returns** Predicted output

## save\_hyperparameters

LightningModule.**save\_hyperparameters**(\*args, ignore=None, frame=None)

Save model arguments to hparams attribute.

### Parameters

- **args** – single object of `dict`, `Namespace` or `OmegaConf` or string names or arguments from class `__init__`
- **ignore** (Union[Sequence[str], str, None]) – an argument name or a list of argument names from class `__init__` to be ignored
- **frame** (Optional[frame]) – a frame object. Default is None

### Example::

```
>>> class ManuallyArgsModel(LightningModule):
...     def __init__(self, arg1, arg2, arg3):
...         super().__init__()
...         # manually assign arguments
...         self.save_hyperparameters('arg1', 'arg3')
...     def forward(self, *args, **kwargs):
...         ...
>>> model = ManuallyArgsModel(1, 'abc', 3.14)
>>> model.hparams
"arg1": 1
"arg3": 3.14
```

```
>>> class AutomaticArgsModel(LightningModule):
...     def __init__(self, arg1, arg2, arg3):
...         super().__init__()
...         # equivalent automatic
...         self.save_hyperparameters()
...     def forward(self, *args, **kwargs):
...         ...
>>> model = AutomaticArgsModel(1, 'abc', 3.14)
>>> model.hparams
"arg1": 1
"arg2": abc
"arg3": 3.14
```



```
>>> class SingleArgModel(LightningModule):
...     def __init__(self, params):
...         super().__init__()
...         # manually assign single argument
...         self.save_hyperparameters(params)
...     def forward(self, *args, **kwargs):
...         ...
>>> model = SingleArgModel(Namespace(p1=1, p2='abc', p3=3.14))
>>> model.hparams
"p1": 1
"p2": abc
"p3": 3.14
```

```
>>> class ManuallyArgsModel(LightningModule):
...     def __init__(self, arg1, arg2, arg3):
...         super().__init__()
...         # pass argument(s) to ignore as a string or in a list
...         self.save_hyperparameters(ignore='arg2')
...     def forward(self, *args, **kwargs):
...         ...
>>> model = ManuallyArgsModel(1, 'abc', 3.14)
>>> model.hparams
"arg1": 1
"arg3": 3.14
```

**Return type** `None`

## test\_step

`LightningModule.test_step(*args, **kwargs)`

Operates on a single batch of data from the test set. In this step you'd normally generate examples or calculate anything of interest such as accuracy.

```
# the pseudocode for these calls
test_outs = []
for test_batch in test_data:
    out = test_step(test_batch)
    test_outs.append(out)
test_epoch_end(test_outs)
```

### Parameters

- **batch** `(Tensor | (Tensor, ...) | [Tensor, ...])` – The output of your `DataLoader`. A tensor, tuple or list.
- **batch\_idx** `(int)` – The index of this batch.
- **dataloader\_idx** `(int)` – The index of the dataloader that produced this batch (only if multiple test dataloaders used).

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]`

### Returns

Any of.

- Any object or value

- None - Testing will skip to the next batch

```
# if you have one test dataloader:
def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx)

# if you have multiple test dataloaders:
def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)
```

Examples:

```
# CASE 1: A single test dataset
def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch

    # implement your own
    out = self(x)
    loss = self.loss(out, y)

    # log 6 example images
    # or generated text... or whatever
    sample_imgs = x[:6]
    grid = torchvision.utils.make_grid(sample_imgs)
    self.logger.experiment.add_image('example_images', grid, 0)

    # calculate acc
    labels_hat = torch.argmax(out, dim=1)
    test_acc = torch.sum(y == labels_hat).item() / (len(y) * 1.0)

    # log the outputs!
    self.log_dict({'test_loss': loss, 'test_acc': test_acc})
```

If you pass in multiple test dataloaders, `test_step()` will have an additional argument.

```
# CASE 2: multiple test dataloaders
def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx):
    # dataloader_idx tells you which dataset this is.
```

---

**Note:** If you don't need to test you don't need to implement this method.

---

---

**Note:** When the `test_step()` is called, the model has been put in eval mode and PyTorch gradients have been disabled. At the end of the test epoch, the model goes back to training mode and gradients are enabled.

---

## test\_step\_end

`LightningModule.test_step_end(*args, **kwargs)`

Use this when testing with dp or ddp2 because `test_step()` will operate on only part of the batch. However, this is still optional and only needed for things like softmax or NCE loss.

---

**Note:** If you later switch to ddp or some other mode, this will still be called so that you don't have to change your code.

---

```
# pseudocode
sub_batches = split_batches_for_dp(batch)
batch_parts_outputs = [test_step(sub_batch) for sub_batch in sub_batches]
test_step_end(batch_parts_outputs)
```

**Parameters** `batch_parts_outputs` – What you return in `test_step()` for each batch part.

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]`

**Returns** None or anything

```
# WITHOUT test_step_end
# if used in DP or DDP2, this batch is 1/num_gpus large
def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # batch is 1/num_gpus big
    x, y = batch

    out = self(x)
    loss = self.softmax(out)
    self.log('test_loss', loss)

# -----
# with test_step_end to do softmax over the full batch
def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # batch is 1/num_gpus big
    x, y = batch

    out = self.encoder(x)
    return out

def test_step_end(self, output_results):
    # this out is now the full size of the batch
    all_test_step_outs = output_results.out
    loss = nce_loss(all_test_step_outs)
    self.log('test_loss', loss)
```

**See also:**

See the [Multi-GPU training](#) guide for more details.

## test\_epoch\_end

`LightningModule.test_epoch_end(outputs)`

Called at the end of a test epoch with the output of all test steps.

```
# the pseudocode for these calls
test_outs = []
for test_batch in test_data:
    out = test_step(test_batch)
    test_outs.append(out)
test_epoch_end(test_outs)
```

**Parameters** `outputs` (`List[Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]]`) – List of outputs you defined in `test_step_end()`, or if there are multiple dataloaders, a list containing a list of outputs for each dataloader

**Return type** `None`

**Returns** `None`

---

**Note:** If you didn't define a `test_step()`, this won't be called.

---

## Examples

With a single dataloader:

```
def test_epoch_end(self, outputs):  
    # do something with the outputs of all test batches  
    all_test_preds = test_step_outputs.predictions  
  
    some_result = calc_all_results(all_test_preds)  
    self.log(some_result)
```

With multiple dataloaders, `outputs` will be a list of lists. The outer list contains one entry per dataloader, while the inner list contains the individual outputs of each test step for that dataloader.

```
def test_epoch_end(self, outputs):  
    final_value = 0  
    for dataloader_outputs in outputs:  
        for test_step_out in dataloader_outputs:  
            # do something  
            final_value += test_step_out  
  
    self.log('final_metric', final_value)
```

## to\_onnx

`LightningModule.to_onnx(file_path, input_sample=None, **kwargs)`

Saves the model in ONNX format

### Parameters

- **file\_path** `Union[str, Path]` – The path of the file the onnx model should be saved to.
- **input\_sample** `Optional[Any]` – An input for tracing. Default: `None` (Use `self.example_input_array`)
- **\*\*kwargs** – Will be passed to `torch.onnx.export` function.

### Example

```
>>> class SimpleModel(LightningModule):
...     def __init__(self):
...         super().__init__()
...         self.l1 = torch.nn.Linear(in_features=64, out_features=4)
...
...     def forward(self, x):
...         return torch.relu(self.l1(x.view(x.size(0), -1)))

>>> with tempfile.NamedTemporaryFile(suffix='.onnx', delete=False) as tmpfile:
...     model = SimpleModel()
...     input_sample = torch.randn((1, 64))
...     model.to_onnx(tmpfile.name, input_sample, export_params=True)
...     os.path.isfile(tmpfile.name)
True
```

### to\_torchscript

`LightningModule.to_torchscript` (*file\_path=None*, *method='script'*, *example\_inputs=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)

By default compiles the whole model to a `ScriptModule`. If you want to use tracing, please provided the argument `method='trace'` and make sure that either the `example_inputs` argument is provided, or the model has `self.example_input_array` set. If you would like to customize the modules that are scripted you should override this method. In case you want to return multiple modules, we recommend using a dictionary.

#### Parameters

- **file\_path** (Union[str, Path, None]) – Path where to save the torchscript. Default: None (no file saved).
- **method** (Optional[str]) – Whether to use TorchScript’s script or trace method. Default: ‘script’
- **example\_inputs** (Optional[Any]) – An input to be used to do tracing when method is set to ‘trace’. Default: None (Use `self.example_input_array`)
- **\*\*kwargs** – Additional arguments that will be passed to the `torch.jit.script()` or `torch.jit.trace()` function.

#### Note:

- Requires the implementation of the `forward()` method.
- The exported script will be set to evaluation mode.
- It is recommended that you install the latest supported version of PyTorch to use this feature without limitations. See also the `torch.jit` documentation for supported features.

## Example

```
>>> class SimpleModel(LightningModule):
...     def __init__(self):
...         super().__init__()
...         self.l1 = torch.nn.Linear(in_features=64, out_features=4)
...
...     def forward(self, x):
...         return torch.relu(self.l1(x.view(x.size(0), -1)))
...
>>> model = SimpleModel()
>>> torch.jit.save(model.to_torchscript(), "model.pt")
>>> os.path.isfile("model.pt")
>>> torch.jit.save(model.to_torchscript(file_path="model_trace.pt", method='trace
↪',
...                                     example_inputs=torch.randn(1, 64)))
>>> os.path.isfile("model_trace.pt")
True
```

**Return type** `Union[ScriptModule, Dict[str, ScriptModule]]`

**Returns** This `LightningModule` as a torchscript, regardless of whether `file_path` is defined or not.

## training\_step

`LightningModule.training_step(*args, **kwargs)`

Here you compute and return the training loss and some additional metrics for e.g. the progress bar or logger.

### Parameters

- **batch** `Tensor | (Tensor, ...) | [Tensor, ...]` – The output of your `DataLoader`. A tensor, tuple or list.
- **batch\_idx** `(int)` – Integer displaying index of this batch
- **optimizer\_idx** `(int)` – When using multiple optimizers, this argument will also be present.
- **hiddens** `(Tensor)` – Passed in if `truncated_bptt_steps > 0`.

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]`

### Returns

Any of.

- `Tensor` - The loss tensor
- `dict` - A dictionary. Can include any keys, but must include the key `'loss'`
- `None` - Training will skip to the next batch

---

**Note:** Returning `None` is currently not supported for multi-GPU or TPU, or with 16-bit precision enabled.

---

In this step you'd normally do the forward pass and calculate the loss for a batch. You can also do fancier things like multiple forward passes or something model specific.

Example:

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y, z = batch
    out = self.encoder(x)
    loss = self.loss(out, x)
    return loss
```

If you define multiple optimizers, this step will be called with an additional `optimizer_idx` parameter.

```
# Multiple optimizers (e.g.: GANs)
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx, optimizer_idx):
    if optimizer_idx == 0:
        # do training_step with encoder
    if optimizer_idx == 1:
        # do training_step with decoder
```

If you add truncated back propagation through time you will also get an additional argument with the hidden states of the previous step.

```
# Truncated back-propagation through time
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx, hiddens):
    # hiddens are the hidden states from the previous truncated backprop step
    ...
    out, hiddens = self.lstm(data, hiddens)
    ...
    return {'loss': loss, 'hiddens': hiddens}
```

**Note:** The loss value shown in the progress bar is smoothed (averaged) over the last values, so it differs from the actual loss returned in train/validation step.

## training\_step\_end

`LightningModule.training_step_end(*args, **kwargs)`

Use this when training with dp or ddp2 because `training_step()` will operate on only part of the batch. However, this is still optional and only needed for things like softmax or NCE loss.

**Note:** If you later switch to ddp or some other mode, this will still be called so that you don't have to change your code

```
# pseudocode
sub_batches = split_batches_for_dp(batch)
batch_parts_outputs = [training_step(sub_batch) for sub_batch in sub_batches]
training_step_end(batch_parts_outputs)
```

**Parameters** `batch_parts_outputs` – What you return in `training_step` for each batch part.

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]`

**Returns** Anything

When using dp/ddp2 distributed backends, only a portion of the batch is inside the `training_step`:

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # batch is 1/num_gpus big
    x, y = batch

    out = self(x)

    # softmax uses only a portion of the batch in the denominator
    loss = self.softmax(out)
    loss = nce_loss(loss)
    return loss
```

If you wish to do something with all the parts of the batch, then use this method to do it:

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # batch is 1/num_gpus big
    x, y = batch

    out = self.encoder(x)
    return {'pred': out}

def training_step_end(self, training_step_outputs):
    gpu_0_pred = training_step_outputs[0]['pred']
    gpu_1_pred = training_step_outputs[1]['pred']
    gpu_n_pred = training_step_outputs[n]['pred']

    # this softmax now uses the full batch
    loss = nce_loss([gpu_0_pred, gpu_1_pred, gpu_n_pred])
    return loss
```

See also:

See the [Multi-GPU training](#) guide for more details.

## training\_epoch\_end

`LightningModule.training_epoch_end(outputs)`

Called at the end of the training epoch with the outputs of all training steps. Use this in case you need to do something with all the outputs for every training\_step.

```
# the pseudocode for these calls
train_outs = []
for train_batch in train_data:
    out = training_step(train_batch)
    train_outs.append(out)
training_epoch_end(train_outs)
```

**Parameters** `outputs` (List[Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]]) – List of outputs you defined in `training_step()`, or if there are multiple dataloaders, a list containing a list of outputs for each dataloader.

**Return type** None

**Returns** None

---

**Note:** If this method is not overridden, this won't be called.

---



Example:

```
def training_epoch_end(self, training_step_outputs):
    # do something with all training_step outputs
    return result
```

With multiple dataloaders, `outputs` will be a list of lists. The outer list contains one entry per dataloader, while the inner list contains the individual outputs of each training step for that dataloader.

```
def training_epoch_end(self, training_step_outputs):
    for out in training_step_outputs:
        # do something here
```

## unfreeze

`LightningModule.unfreeze()`  
Unfreeze all parameters for training.

```
model = MyLightningModule(...)
model.unfreeze()
```

**Return type** `None`

## validation\_step

`LightningModule.validation_step(*args, **kwargs)`

Operates on a single batch of data from the validation set. In this step you'd might generate examples or calculate anything of interest like accuracy.

```
# the pseudocode for these calls
val_outs = []
for val_batch in val_data:
    out = validation_step(val_batch)
    val_outs.append(out)
validation_epoch_end(val_outs)
```

### Parameters

- **batch** `(Tensor | (Tensor, ...) | [Tensor, ...])` – The output of your `Dataloader`. A tensor, tuple or list.
- **batch\_idx** `(int)` – The index of this batch
- **dataloader\_idx** `(int)` – The index of the dataloader that produced this batch (only if multiple val dataloaders used)

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]`

### Returns

Any of.

- Any object or value
- `None` - Validation will skip to the next batch

```
# pseudocode of order
val_outs = []
for val_batch in val_data:
    out = validation_step(val_batch)
    if defined('validation_step_end'):
        out = validation_step_end(out)
    val_outs.append(out)
val_outs = validation_epoch_end(val_outs)
```

```
# if you have one val dataloader:
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx)

# if you have multiple val dataloaders:
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)
```

Examples:

```
# CASE 1: A single validation dataset
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch

    # implement your own
    out = self(x)
    loss = self.loss(out, y)

    # log 6 example images
    # or generated text... or whatever
    sample_imgs = x[:6]
    grid = torchvision.utils.make_grid(sample_imgs)
    self.logger.experiment.add_image('example_images', grid, 0)

    # calculate acc
    labels_hat = torch.argmax(out, dim=1)
    val_acc = torch.sum(y == labels_hat).item() / (len(y) * 1.0)

    # log the outputs!
    self.log_dict({'val_loss': loss, 'val_acc': val_acc})
```

If you pass in multiple val dataloaders, `validation_step()` will have an additional argument.

```
# CASE 2: multiple validation dataloaders
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx):
    # dataloader_idx tells you which dataset this is.
```

---

**Note:** If you don't need to validate you don't need to implement this method.

---

---

**Note:** When the `validation_step()` is called, the model has been put in eval mode and PyTorch gradients have been disabled. At the end of validation, the model goes back to training mode and gradients are enabled.

---

## validation\_step\_end

`LightningModule.validation_step_end(*args, **kwargs)`

Use this when validating with dp or ddp2 because `validation_step()` will operate on only part of the batch. However, this is still optional and only needed for things like softmax or NCE loss.

---

**Note:** If you later switch to ddp or some other mode, this will still be called so that you don't have to change your code.

---

```
# pseudocode
sub_batches = split_batches_for_dp(batch)
batch_parts_outputs = [validation_step(sub_batch) for sub_batch in sub_batches]
validation_step_end(batch_parts_outputs)
```

**Parameters** `batch_parts_outputs` – What you return in `validation_step()` for each batch part.

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]`

**Returns** None or anything

```
# WITHOUT validation_step_end
# if used in DP or DDP2, this batch is 1/num_gpus large
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # batch is 1/num_gpus big
    x, y = batch

    out = self.encoder(x)
    loss = self.softmax(out)
    loss = nce_loss(loss)
    self.log('val_loss', loss)

# -----
# with validation_step_end to do softmax over the full batch
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # batch is 1/num_gpus big
    x, y = batch

    out = self(x)
    return out

def validation_step_end(self, val_step_outputs):
    for out in val_step_outputs:
        # do something with these
```

**See also:**

See the [Multi-GPU training](#) guide for more details.

## validation\_epoch\_end

LightningModule.**validation\_epoch\_end**(*outputs*)

Called at the end of the validation epoch with the outputs of all validation steps.

```
# the pseudocode for these calls
val_outs = []
for val_batch in val_data:
    out = validation_step(val_batch)
    val_outs.append(out)
validation_epoch_end(val_outs)
```

**Parameters** *outputs* (List[Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]]) – List of outputs you defined in `validation_step()`, or if there are multiple dataloaders, a list containing a list of outputs for each dataloader.

**Return type** None

**Returns** None

---

**Note:** If you didn't define a `validation_step()`, this won't be called.

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## Examples

With a single dataloader:

```
def validation_epoch_end(self, val_step_outputs):
    for out in val_step_outputs:
        # do something
```

With multiple dataloaders, *outputs* will be a list of lists. The outer list contains one entry per dataloader, while the inner list contains the individual outputs of each validation step for that dataloader.

```
def validation_epoch_end(self, outputs):
    for dataloader_output_result in outputs:
        dataloader_outs = dataloader_output_result.dataloader_i_outputs

    self.log('final_metric', final_value)
```

## write\_prediction

LightningModule.**write\_prediction**(*name*, *value*, *filename*='predictions.pt')

Write predictions to disk using `torch.save`

Example:

```
self.write_prediction('pred', torch.tensor(...), filename='my_predictions.pt')
```

### Parameters

- **name** (str) – a string indicating the name to save the predictions under
- **value** (Union[Tensor, List[Tensor]]) – the predictions, either a single `Tensor` or a list of them

- **filename** *(str)* – name of the file to save the predictions to

---

**Note:** when running in distributed mode, calling `write_prediction` will create a file for each device with respective names: `filename_rank_0.pt`, `filename_rank_1.pt`,...

---

### `write_prediction_dict`

`LightningModule.write_prediction_dict` (*predictions\_dict*, *filename*='predictions.pt')

Write a dictionary of predictions to disk at once using `torch.save`

Example:

```
pred_dict = {'pred1': torch.tensor(...), 'pred2': torch.tensor(...)}
self.write_prediction_dict(pred_dict)
```

**Parameters** **predictions\_dict** *(Dict[str, Any])* – dict containing predictions, where each prediction should either be single `Tensor` or a list of them

---

**Note:** when running in distributed mode, calling `write_prediction_dict` will create a file for each device with respective names: `filename_rank_0.pt`, `filename_rank_1.pt`,...

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## 7.4.2 Properties

These are properties available in a `LightningModule`.

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### `current_epoch`

The current epoch

```
def training_step(...):
    if self.current_epoch == 0:
```

### `device`

The device the module is on. Use it to keep your code device agnostic

```
def training_step(...):
    z = torch.rand(2, 3, device=self.device)
```

## global\_rank

The `global_rank` of this `LightningModule`. Lightning saves logs, weights etc only from `global_rank = 0`. You normally do not need to use this property

Global rank refers to the index of that GPU across ALL GPUs. For example, if using 10 machines, each with 4 GPUs, the 4th GPU on the 10th machine has `global_rank = 39`

---

## global\_step

The current step (does not reset each epoch)

```
def training_step(...):
    self.logger.experiment.log_image(..., step=self.global_step)
```

---

## hparams

The arguments saved by calling `save_hyperparameters` passed through `__init__()` could be accessed by the `hparams` attribute.

```
def __init__(self, learning_rate):
    self.save_hyperparameters()

def configure_optimizers(self):
    return Adam(self.parameters(), lr=self.hparams.learning_rate)
```

---

## logger

The current logger being used (tensorboard or other supported logger)

```
def training_step(...):
    # the generic logger (same no matter if tensorboard or other supported logger)
    self.logger

    # the particular logger
    tensorboard_logger = self.logger.experiment
```

---

## local\_rank

The `local_rank` of this `LightningModule`. Lightning saves logs, weights etc only from `global_rank = 0`. You normally do not need to use this property

Local rank refers to the rank on that machine. For example, if using 10 machines, the GPU at index 0 on each machine has `local_rank = 0`.

---

## precision

The type of precision used:

```
def training_step(...):
    if self.precision == 16:
```

## trainer

Pointer to the trainer

```
def training_step(...):
    max_steps = self.trainer.max_steps
    any_flag = self.trainer.any_flag
```

## use\_amp

True if using Automatic Mixed Precision (AMP)

## automatic\_optimization

When set to `False`, Lightning does not automate the optimization process. This means you are responsible for handling your optimizers. However, we do take care of precision and any accelerators used.

See [manual optimization](#) for details.

```
def __init__(self):
    self.automatic_optimization = False

def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    opt = self.optimizers(use_pl_optimizer=True)

    loss = ...
    opt.zero_grad()
    self.manual_backward(loss)
    opt.step()
```

This is recommended only if using 2+ optimizers AND if you know how to perform the optimization procedure properly. Note that automatic optimization can still be used with multiple optimizers by relying on the `optimizer_idx` parameter. Manual optimization is most useful for research topics like reinforcement learning, sparse coding, and GAN research.

```
def __init__(self):
    self.automatic_optimization = False

def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # access your optimizers with use_pl_optimizer=False. Default is True
    opt_a, opt_b = self.optimizers(use_pl_optimizer=True)
```

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```
gen_loss = ...
opt_a.zero_grad()
self.manual_backward(gen_loss)
opt_a.step()

disc_loss = ...
opt_b.zero_grad()
self.manual_backward(disc_loss)
opt_b.step()
```

---

### example\_input\_array

Set and access `example_input_array` which is basically a single batch.

```
def __init__(self):
    self.example_input_array = ...
    self.generator = ...

def on_train_epoch_end(...):
    # generate some images using the example_input_array
    gen_images = self.generator(self.example_input_array)
```

---

### datamodule

Set or access your datamodule.

```
def configure_optimizers(self):
    num_training_samples = len(self.trainer.datamodule.train_dataloader())
    ...
```

---

### model\_size

Get the model file size (in megabytes) using `self.model_size` inside `LightningModule`.

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## 7.4.3 truncated\_bptt\_steps

Truncated back prop breaks performs backprop every `k` steps of a much longer sequence.

If this is enabled, your batches will automatically get truncated and the trainer will apply Truncated Backprop to it.

(Williams et al. “An efficient gradient-based algorithm for on-line training of recurrent network trajectories.”)

Tutorial



```

from pytorch_lightning import LightningModule

class MyModel(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        # Important: This property activates truncated backpropagation through time
        # Setting this value to 2 splits the batch into sequences of size 2
        self.truncated_bptt_steps = 2

    # Truncated back-propagation through time
    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx, hiddens):
        # the training step must be updated to accept a ``hiddens`` argument
        # hiddens are the hiddens from the previous truncated backprop step
        out, hiddens = self.lstm(data, hiddens)
        return {
            "loss": ...,
            "hiddens": hiddens
        }

```

Lightning takes care to split your batch along the time-dimension.

```

# we use the second as the time dimension
# (batch, time, ...)
sub_batch = batch[0, 0:t, ...]

```

To modify how the batch is split, override `pytorch_lightning.core.LightningModule.tbptt_split_batch()`:

```

class LitMNIST(LightningModule):
    def tbptt_split_batch(self, batch, split_size):
        # do your own splitting on the batch
        return splits

```

## 7.4.4 Hooks

This is the pseudocode to describe how all the hooks are called during a call to `.fit()`.

```

def fit(...):
    if global_rank == 0:
        # prepare data is called on GLOBAL_ZERO only
        prepare_data()

    configure_callbacks()

    on_fit_start()

    for gpu/tpu in gpu/tpus:
        train_on_device(model.copy())

    on_fit_end()

def train_on_device(model):
    # setup is called PER DEVICE

```

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```

setup()
configure_optimizers()
on_pretrain_routine_start()

for epoch in epochs:
    train_loop()

teardown()

def train_loop():
    on_epoch_start()
    on_train_epoch_start()
    train_outs = []
    for train_batch in train_dataloader():
        on_train_batch_start()

        # ----- train_step methods -----
        out = training_step(batch)
        train_outs.append(out)

        loss = out.loss

        on_before_zero_grad()
        optimizer_zero_grad()

        backward()
        on_after_backward()

        optimizer_step()

        on_train_batch_end(out)

        if should_check_val:
            val_loop()

    # end training epoch
    training_epoch_end(outs)
    on_train_epoch_end(outs)
    on_epoch_end()

def val_loop():
    model.eval()
    torch.set_grad_enabled(False)

    on_epoch_start()
    on_validation_epoch_start()
    val_outs = []
    for val_batch in val_dataloader():
        on_validation_batch_start()

        # ----- val_step methods -----
        out = validation_step(val_batch)
        val_outs.append(out)

        on_validation_batch_end(out)

    validation_epoch_end(val_outs)

```

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```

on_validation_epoch_end()
on_epoch_end()

# set up for train
model.train()
torch.set_grad_enabled(True)

```

## backward

`LightningModule.backward(loss, optimizer, optimizer_idx, *args, **kwargs)`

Override backward with your own implementation if you need to.

### Parameters

- **loss** (Tensor) – Loss is already scaled by accumulated grads
- **optimizer** (Optimizer) – Current optimizer being used
- **optimizer\_idx** (int) – Index of the current optimizer being used

Called to perform backward step. Feel free to override as needed. The loss passed in has already been scaled for accumulated gradients if requested.

Example:

```

def backward(self, loss, optimizer, optimizer_idx):
    loss.backward()

```

**Return type** None

## get\_progress\_bar\_dict

`LightningModule.get_progress_bar_dict()`

Implement this to override the default items displayed in the progress bar. By default it includes the average loss value, split index of BPTT (if used) and the version of the experiment when using a logger.

```
Epoch 1:   4%|          | 40/1095 [00:03<01:37, 10.84it/s, loss=4.501, v_num=10]
```

Here is an example how to override the defaults:

```

def get_progress_bar_dict(self):
    # don't show the version number
    items = super().get_progress_bar_dict()
    items.pop("v_num", None)
    return items

```

**Return type** Dict[str, Union[int, str]]

**Returns** Dictionary with the items to be displayed in the progress bar.

## on\_after\_backward

`ModelHooks.on_after_backward()`

Called in the training loop after `loss.backward()` and before optimizers do anything. This is the ideal place to inspect or log gradient information.

Example:

```
def on_after_backward(self):  
    # example to inspect gradient information in tensorboard  
    if self.trainer.global_step % 25 == 0: # don't make the tf file huge  
        for k, v in self.named_parameters():  
            self.logger.experiment.add_histogram(  
                tag=k, values=v.grad, global_step=self.trainer.global_step  
            )
```

**Return type** `None`

## on\_before\_zero\_grad

`ModelHooks.on_before_zero_grad(optimizer)`

Called after `training_step()` and before `optimizer.zero_grad()`.

Called in the training loop after taking an optimizer step and before zeroing grads. Good place to inspect weight information with weights updated.

This is where it is called:

```
for optimizer in optimizers:  
    out = training_step(...)  
  
    model.on_before_zero_grad(optimizer) # < ---- called here  
    optimizer.zero_grad()  
  
backward()
```

**Parameters** `optimizer` (`Optimizer`) – The optimizer for which grads should be zeroed.

**Return type** `None`

## on\_fit\_start

`ModelHooks.on_fit_start()`

Called at the very beginning of fit. If on DDP it is called on every process

**Return type** `None`

## on\_fit\_end

`ModelHooks.on_fit_end()`

Called at the very end of fit. If on DDP it is called on every process

**Return type** `None`

## on\_load\_checkpoint

`CheckpointHooks.on_load_checkpoint(checkpoint)`

Called by Lightning to restore your model. If you saved something with `on_save_checkpoint()` this is your chance to restore this.

**Parameters** `checkpoint` `(Dict[str, Any])` – Loaded checkpoint

Example:

```
def on_load_checkpoint(self, checkpoint):  
    # 99% of the time you don't need to implement this method  
    self.something_cool_i_want_to_save = checkpoint['something_cool_i_want_to_save']  
    ↪
```

---

**Note:** Lightning auto-restores global step, epoch, and train state including amp scaling. There is no need for you to restore anything regarding training.

---

**Return type** `None`

## on\_save\_checkpoint

`CheckpointHooks.on_save_checkpoint(checkpoint)`

Called by Lightning when saving a checkpoint to give you a chance to store anything else you might want to save.

**Parameters** `checkpoint` `(Dict[str, Any])` – Checkpoint to be saved

Example:

```
def on_save_checkpoint(self, checkpoint):  
    # 99% of use cases you don't need to implement this method  
    checkpoint['something_cool_i_want_to_save'] = my_cool_pickable_object
```

---

**Note:** Lightning saves all aspects of training (epoch, global step, etc...) including amp scaling. There is no need for you to store anything about training.

---

**Return type** `None`

### **on\_train\_start**

`ModelHooks.on_train_start()`

Called at the beginning of training after sanity check.

**Return type** `None`

### **on\_train\_end**

`ModelHooks.on_train_end()`

Called at the end of training before logger experiment is closed.

**Return type** `None`

### **on\_validation\_start**

`ModelHooks.on_validation_start()`

Called at the beginning of validation.

**Return type** `None`

### **on\_validation\_end**

`ModelHooks.on_validation_end()`

Called at the end of validation.

**Return type** `None`

### **on\_pretrain\_routine\_start**

`ModelHooks.on_pretrain_routine_start()`

Called at the beginning of the pretrain routine (between fit and train start).

- fit
- pretrain\_routine start
- pretrain\_routine end
- training\_start

**Return type** `None`

### **on\_pretrain\_routine\_end**

`ModelHooks.on_pretrain_routine_end()`

Called at the end of the pretrain routine (between fit and train start).

- fit
- pretrain\_routine start
- pretrain\_routine end
- training\_start

**Return type** `None`

### on\_test\_batch\_start

`ModelHooks.on_test_batch_start(batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`

Called in the test loop before anything happens for that batch.

#### Parameters

- **batch** (Any) – The batched data as it is returned by the test DataLoader.
- **batch\_idx** (int) – the index of the batch
- **dataloader\_idx** (int) – the index of the dataloader

**Return type** None

### on\_test\_batch\_end

`ModelHooks.on_test_batch_end(outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`

Called in the test loop after the batch.

#### Parameters

- **outputs** (Union[`Tensor`, `Dict[str, Any]`, `None`]) – The outputs of `test_step_end(test_step(x))`
- **batch** (Any) – The batched data as it is returned by the test DataLoader.
- **batch\_idx** (int) – the index of the batch
- **dataloader\_idx** (int) – the index of the dataloader

**Return type** None

### on\_test\_epoch\_start

`ModelHooks.on_test_epoch_start()`

Called in the test loop at the very beginning of the epoch.

**Return type** None

### on\_test\_epoch\_end

`ModelHooks.on_test_epoch_end()`

Called in the test loop at the very end of the epoch.

**Return type** None

### on\_test\_end

`ModelHooks.on_test_end()`

Called at the end of testing.

**Return type** None

### on\_train\_batch\_start

`ModelHooks.on_train_batch_start(batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`

Called in the training loop before anything happens for that batch.

If you return -1 here, you will skip training for the rest of the current epoch.

#### Parameters

- `batch` (Any) – The batched data as it is returned by the training DataLoader.
- `batch_idx` (int) – the index of the batch
- `dataloader_idx` (int) – the index of the dataloader

**Return type** None

### on\_train\_batch\_end

`ModelHooks.on_train_batch_end(outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`

Called in the training loop after the batch.

#### Parameters

- `outputs` (Union[`Tensor`, Dict[str, Any]]) – The outputs of `training_step_end(training_step(x))`
- `batch` (Any) – The batched data as it is returned by the training DataLoader.
- `batch_idx` (int) – the index of the batch
- `dataloader_idx` (int) – the index of the dataloader

**Return type** None

### on\_epoch\_start

`ModelHooks.on_epoch_start()`

Called when either of train/val/test epoch begins.

**Return type** None

### on\_epoch\_end

`ModelHooks.on_epoch_end()`

Called when either of train/val/test epoch ends.

**Return type** None



### on\_train\_epoch\_start

`ModelHooks.on_train_epoch_start()`

Called in the training loop at the very beginning of the epoch.

**Return type** `None`

### on\_train\_epoch\_end

`ModelHooks.on_train_epoch_end(unused=None)`

Called in the training loop at the very end of the epoch.

To access all batch outputs at the end of the epoch, either:

1. Implement *training\_epoch\_end* in the `LightningModule` OR
2. Cache data across steps on the attribute(s) of the *LightningModule* and access them in this hook

### on\_validation\_batch\_start

`ModelHooks.on_validation_batch_start(batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`

Called in the validation loop before anything happens for that batch.

#### Parameters

- **batch** `(Any)` – The batched data as it is returned by the validation `DataLoader`.
- **batch\_idx** `(int)` – the index of the batch
- **dataloader\_idx** `(int)` – the index of the dataloader

**Return type** `None`

### on\_validation\_batch\_end

`ModelHooks.on_validation_batch_end(outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`

Called in the validation loop after the batch.

#### Parameters

- **outputs** `(Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None])` – The outputs of `validation_step_end(validation_step(x))`
- **batch** `(Any)` – The batched data as it is returned by the validation `DataLoader`.
- **batch\_idx** `(int)` – the index of the batch
- **dataloader\_idx** `(int)` – the index of the dataloader

**Return type** `None`

### **on\_validation\_epoch\_start**

`ModelHooks.on_validation_epoch_start()`

Called in the validation loop at the very beginning of the epoch.

**Return type** `None`

### **on\_validation\_epoch\_end**

`ModelHooks.on_validation_epoch_end()`

Called in the validation loop at the very end of the epoch.

**Return type** `None`

### **on\_post\_move\_to\_device**

`ModelHooks.on_post_move_to_device()`

Called in the `parameter_validation` decorator after `to()` is called. This is a good place to tie weights between modules after moving them to a device. Can be used when training models with weight sharing properties on TPU.

Addresses the handling of shared weights on TPU: <https://github.com/pytorch/xla/blob/master/TROUBLESHOOTING.md#xla-tensor-quirks>

Example:

```
def on_post_move_to_device(self):  
    self.decoder.weight = self.encoder.weight
```

**Return type** `None`

### **on\_validation\_model\_eval**

`ModelHooks.on_validation_model_eval()`

Sets the model to eval during the val loop

**Return type** `None`

### **on\_validation\_model\_train**

`ModelHooks.on_validation_model_train()`

Sets the model to train during the val loop

**Return type** `None`

### on\_test\_model\_eval

`ModelHooks.on_test_model_eval()`  
Sets the model to eval during the test loop

**Return type** `None`

### on\_test\_model\_train

`ModelHooks.on_test_model_train()`  
Sets the model to train during the test loop

**Return type** `None`

### optimizer\_step

`LightningModule.optimizer_step(epoch=None, batch_idx=None, optimizer=None, optimizer_idx=None, optimizer_closure=None, on_tpu=None, using_native_amp=None, using_lbfgs=None)`

Override this method to adjust the default way the *Trainer* calls each optimizer. By default, Lightning calls `step()` and `zero_grad()` as shown in the example once per optimizer.

**Warning:** If you are overriding this method, make sure that you pass the `optimizer_closure` parameter to `optimizer.step()` function as shown in the examples. This ensures that `training_step()`, `optimizer.zero_grad()`, `backward()` are called within `run_training_batch()`.

#### Parameters

- **epoch** (Optional[int]) – Current epoch
- **batch\_idx** (Optional[int]) – Index of current batch
- **optimizer** (Optional[Optimizer]) – A PyTorch optimizer
- **optimizer\_idx** (Optional[int]) – If you used multiple optimizers, this indexes into that list.
- **optimizer\_closure** (Optional[Callable]) – Closure for all optimizers
- **on\_tpu** (Optional[bool]) – True if TPU backward is required
- **using\_native\_amp** (Optional[bool]) – True if using native amp
- **using\_lbfgs** (Optional[bool]) – True if the matching optimizer is `torch.optim.LBFGS`

Examples:

```
# DEFAULT
def optimizer_step(self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx,
                    optimizer_closure, on_tpu, using_native_amp, using_lbfgs):
    optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)

# Alternating schedule for optimizer steps (i.e.: GANs)
def optimizer_step(self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx,
                    optimizer_closure, on_tpu, using_native_amp, using_lbfgs):
```

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```

# update generator opt every step
if optimizer_idx == 0:
    optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)

# update discriminator opt every 2 steps
if optimizer_idx == 1:
    if (batch_idx + 1) % 2 == 0 :
        optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)

# ...
# add as many optimizers as you want

```

Here's another example showing how to use this for more advanced things such as learning rate warm-up:

```

# learning rate warm-up
def optimizer_step(self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx,
                  optimizer_closure, on_tpu, using_native_amp, using_lbfgs):
    # warm up lr
    if self.trainer.global_step < 500:
        lr_scale = min(1., float(self.trainer.global_step + 1) / 500.)
        for pg in optimizer.param_groups:
            pg['lr'] = lr_scale * self.learning_rate

    # update params
    optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)

```

**Return type** `None`

## optimizer\_zero\_grad

`LightningModule.optimizer_zero_grad(epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx)`

Override this method to change the default behaviour of `optimizer.zero_grad()`.

### Parameters

- **epoch** `(int)` – Current epoch
- **batch\_idx** `(int)` – Index of current batch
- **optimizer** `(Optimizer)` – A PyTorch optimizer
- **optimizer\_idx** `(int)` – If you used multiple optimizers this indexes into that list.

Examples:

```

# DEFAULT
def optimizer_zero_grad(self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx):
    optimizer.zero_grad()

# Set gradients to `None` instead of zero to improve performance.
def optimizer_zero_grad(self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx):
    optimizer.zero_grad(set_to_none=True)

```

See `torch.optim.Optimizer.zero_grad()` for the explanation of the above example.

## prepare\_data

`LightningModule.prepare_data()`

Use this to download and prepare data.

**Warning:** DO NOT set state to the model (use *setup* instead) since this is NOT called on every GPU in DDP/TPU

Example:

```
def prepare_data(self):
    # good
    download_data()
    tokenize()
    etc()

    # bad
    self.split = data_split
    self.some_state = some_other_state()
```

In DDP `prepare_data` can be called in two ways (using `Trainer(prepare_data_per_node)`):

1. Once per node. This is the default and is only called on `LOCAL_RANK=0`.
2. Once in total. Only called on `GLOBAL_RANK=0`.

Example:

```
# DEFAULT
# called once per node on LOCAL_RANK=0 of that node
Trainer(prepare_data_per_node=True)

# call on GLOBAL_RANK=0 (great for shared file systems)
Trainer(prepare_data_per_node=False)
```

This is called before requesting the dataloaders:

```
model.prepare_data()
    if ddp/tpu: init()
model.setup(stage)
model.train_dataloader()
model.val_dataloader()
model.test_dataloader()
```

**Return type** `None`

## setup

`DataHooks.setup(stage=None)`

Called at the beginning of fit (train + validate), validate, test, and predict. This is a good hook when you need to build models dynamically or adjust something about them. This hook is called on every process when using DDP.

**Parameters** `stage` (Optional[str]) – either 'fit', 'validate', 'test', or 'predict'

Example:

```

class LitModel(...):
    def __init__(self):
        self.ll = None

    def prepare_data(self):
        download_data()
        tokenize()

        # don't do this
        self.something = else

    def setup(stage):
        data = Load_data(...)
        self.ll = nn.Linear(28, data.num_classes)

```

**Return type** `None`

## tbptt\_split\_batch

`LightningModule.tbptt_split_batch(batch, split_size)`

When using truncated backpropagation through time, each batch must be split along the time dimension. Lightning handles this by default, but for custom behavior override this function.

**Parameters**

- `batch` (Tensor) – Current batch
- `split_size` (int) – The size of the split

**Return type** `list`

**Returns** List of batch splits. Each split will be passed to `training_step()` to enable truncated back propagation through time. The default implementation splits root level Tensors and Sequences at dim=1 (i.e. time dim). It assumes that each time dim is the same length.

Examples:

```

def tbptt_split_batch(self, batch, split_size):
    splits = []
    for t in range(0, time_dims[0], split_size):
        batch_split = []
        for i, x in enumerate(batch):
            if isinstance(x, torch.Tensor):
                split_x = x[:, t:t + split_size]
            elif isinstance(x, collections.Sequence):
                split_x = [None] * len(x)

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```

        for batch_idx in range(len(x)):
            split_x[batch_idx] = x[batch_idx][t:t + split_size]

        batch_split.append(split_x)

    splits.append(batch_split)

    return splits

```

**Note:** Called in the training loop after `on_batch_start()` if `truncated_bptt_steps > 0`. Each returned batch split is passed separately to `training_step()`.

## teardown

`DataHooks.teardown(stage=None)`

Called at the end of fit (train + validate), validate, test, predict, or tune.

**Parameters** `stage` (Optional[str]) – either 'fit', 'validate', 'test', or 'predict'

**Return type** `None`

## train\_dataloader

`DataHooks.train_dataloader()`

Implement one or more PyTorch DataLoaders for training.

**Return type** `Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], Dict[str, DataLoader]]`

**Returns** Either a single PyTorch `DataLoader` or a collection of these (list, dict, nested lists and dicts). In the case of multiple dataloaders, please see this [page](#)

The dataloader you return will not be called every epoch unless you set `reload_dataloaders_every_epoch` to `True`.

For data processing use the following pattern:

- download in `prepare_data()`
- process and split in `setup()`

However, the above are only necessary for distributed processing.

**Warning:** do not assign state in `prepare_data`

- `fit()`
- ...
- `prepare_data()`
- `setup()`
- `train_dataloader()`

**Note:** Lightning adds the correct sampler for distributed and arbitrary hardware. There is no need to set it yourself.

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Example:

```
# single dataloader
def train_dataloader(self):
    transform = transforms.Compose([transforms.ToTensor(),
                                    transforms.Normalize((0.5,), (1.0,))])
    dataset = MNIST(root='/path/to/mnist/', train=True, transform=transform,
                    download=True)
    loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=dataset,
        batch_size=self.batch_size,
        shuffle=True
    )
    return loader

# multiple dataloaders, return as list
def train_dataloader(self):
    mnist = MNIST(...)
    cifar = CIFAR(...)
    mnist_loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=mnist, batch_size=self.batch_size, shuffle=True
    )
    cifar_loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=cifar, batch_size=self.batch_size, shuffle=True
    )
    # each batch will be a list of tensors: [batch_mnist, batch_cifar]
    return [mnist_loader, cifar_loader]

# multiple dataloader, return as dict
def train_dataloader(self):
    mnist = MNIST(...)
    cifar = CIFAR(...)
    mnist_loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=mnist, batch_size=self.batch_size, shuffle=True
    )
    cifar_loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=cifar, batch_size=self.batch_size, shuffle=True
    )
    # each batch will be a dict of tensors: {'mnist': batch_mnist, 'cifar': batch_
    ↪cifar}
    return {'mnist': mnist_loader, 'cifar': cifar_loader}
```



## val\_dataloader

DataHooks.**val\_dataloader()**

Implement one or multiple PyTorch DataLoaders for validation.

The dataloader you return will not be called every epoch unless you set `reload_dataloaders_every_epoch` to `True`.

It's recommended that all data downloads and preparation happen in `prepare_data()`.

- `fit()`
- ...
- `prepare_data()`
- `train_dataloader()`
- `val_dataloader()`
- `test_dataloader()`

**Note:** Lightning adds the correct sampler for distributed and arbitrary hardware. There is no need to set it yourself.

**Return type** `Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader]]`

**Returns** Single or multiple PyTorch DataLoaders.

Examples:

```
def val_dataloader(self):
    transform = transforms.Compose([transforms.ToTensor(),
                                    transforms.Normalize((0.5,), (1.0,))])
    dataset = MNIST(root='/path/to/mnist/', train=False,
                    transform=transform, download=True)
    loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=dataset,
        batch_size=self.batch_size,
        shuffle=False
    )

    return loader

# can also return multiple dataloaders
def val_dataloader(self):
    return [loader_a, loader_b, ..., loader_n]
```

**Note:** If you don't need a validation dataset and a `validation_step()`, you don't need to implement this method.

**Note:** In the case where you return multiple validation dataloaders, the `validation_step()` will have an argument `dataloader_idx` which matches the order here.

## test\_dataloader

`DataHooks.test_dataloader()`

Implement one or multiple PyTorch DataLoaders for testing.

The dataloader you return will not be called every epoch unless you set `reload_dataloaders_every_epoch` to `True`.

For data processing use the following pattern:

- download in `prepare_data()`
- process and split in `setup()`

However, the above are only necessary for distributed processing.

**Warning:** do not assign state in `prepare_data`

- `fit()`
- ...
- `prepare_data()`
- `setup()`
- `train_dataloader()`
- `val_dataloader()`
- `test_dataloader()`

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**Note:** Lightning adds the correct sampler for distributed and arbitrary hardware. There is no need to set it yourself.

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**Return type** `Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader]]`

**Returns** Single or multiple PyTorch DataLoaders.

Example:

```
def test_dataloader(self):
    transform = transforms.Compose([transforms.ToTensor(),
                                    transforms.Normalize((0.5,), (1.0,))])
    dataset = MNIST(root='/path/to/mnist/', train=False, transform=transform,
                    download=True)
    loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=dataset,
        batch_size=self.batch_size,
        shuffle=False
    )

    return loader

# can also return multiple dataloaders
def test_dataloader(self):
    return [loader_a, loader_b, ..., loader_n]
```

---

**Note:** If you don't need a test dataset and a `test_step()`, you don't need to implement this method.

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**Note:** In the case where you return multiple test dataloaders, the `test_step()` will have an argument `dataloader_idx` which matches the order here.

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## transfer\_batch\_to\_device

`DataHooks.transfer_batch_to_device(batch, device=None)`

Override this hook if your `DataLoader` returns tensors wrapped in a custom data structure.

The data types listed below (and any arbitrary nesting of them) are supported out of the box:

- `torch.Tensor` or anything that implements `.to(...)`
- `list`
- `dict`
- `tuple`
- `torchtext.data.batch.Batch`

For anything else, you need to define how the data is moved to the target device (CPU, GPU, TPU, ...).

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**Note:** This hook should only transfer the data and not modify it, nor should it move the data to any other device than the one passed in as argument (unless you know what you are doing).

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**Note:** This hook only runs on single GPU training and DDP (no data-parallel). Data-Parallel support will come in near future.

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### Parameters

- **batch** *(Any)* – A batch of data that needs to be transferred to a new device.
- **device** *(Optional[device])* – The target device as defined in PyTorch.

**Return type** *Any*

**Returns** A reference to the data on the new device.

Example:

```
def transfer_batch_to_device(self, batch, device):
    if isinstance(batch, CustomBatch):
        # move all tensors in your custom data structure to the device
        batch.samples = batch.samples.to(device)
        batch.targets = batch.targets.to(device)
    else:
        batch = super().transfer_batch_to_device(data, device)
    return batch
```

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If using data-parallel,  
`Trainer(accelerator='dp').`

See also:

- `move_data_to_device()`
- `apply_to_collection()`

### `on_before_batch_transfer`

`DataHooks.on_before_batch_transfer` (*batch*, *dataloader\_idx*)

Override to alter or apply batch augmentations to your batch before it is transferred to the device.

**Warning:** `dataloader_idx` always returns 0, and will be updated to support the true index in the future.

---

**Note:** This hook only runs on single GPU training and DDP (no data-parallel). Data-Parallel support will come in near future.

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#### Parameters

- **`batch`** *(Any)* – A batch of data that needs to be altered or augmented.
- **`dataloader_idx`** *(int)* – `Dataloader` idx for batch

**Return type** *Any*

**Returns** A batch of data

Example:

```
def on_before_batch_transfer(self, batch, dataloader_idx):
    batch['x'] = transforms(batch['x'])
    return batch
```

**Raises** `MisconfigurationException` – If using data-parallel,  
`Trainer(accelerator='dp')`.

See also:

- `on_after_batch_transfer()`
- `transfer_batch_to_device()`

### `on_after_batch_transfer`

`DataHooks.on_after_batch_transfer` (*batch*, *dataloader\_idx*)

Override to alter or apply batch augmentations to your batch after it is transferred to the device.

**Warning:** `dataloader_idx` always returns 0, and will be updated to support the true `idx` in the future.

---

**Note:** This hook only runs on single GPU training and DDP (no data-parallel). Data-Parallel support will come in near future.

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**Parameters**

- **batch**⚡ (Any) – A batch of data that needs to be altered or augmented.
- **dataloader\_idx**⚡ (int) – DataLoader idx for batch (Default: 0)

**Return type** Any

**Returns** A batch of data

Example:

```
def on_after_batch_transfer(self, batch, dataloader_idx):  
    batch['x'] = gpu_transforms(batch['x'])  
    return batch
```

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If using data-parallel,  
Trainer(accelerator='dp').

**See also:**

- `on_before_batch_transfer()`
- `transfer_batch_to_device()`



## TRAINER

Once you’ve organized your PyTorch code into a `LightningModule`, the Trainer automates everything else.

This abstraction achieves the following:

1. You maintain control over all aspects via PyTorch code without an added abstraction.
2. The trainer uses best practices embedded by contributors and users from top AI labs such as Facebook AI Research, NYU, MIT, Stanford, etc...
3. The trainer allows overriding any key part that you don’t want automated.

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### 8.1 Basic use

This is the basic use of the trainer:

```
model = MyLightningModule()

trainer = Trainer()
trainer.fit(model, train_dataloader, val_dataloader)
```

## 8.2 Under the hood

Under the hood, the Lightning Trainer handles the training loop details for you, some examples include:

- Automatically enabling/disabling grads
- Running the training, validation and test dataloaders
- Calling the Callbacks at the appropriate times
- Putting batches and computations on the correct devices

Here's the pseudocode for what the trainer does under the hood (showing the train loop only)

```
# put model in train mode
model.train()
torch.set_grad_enabled(True)

losses = []
for batch in train_dataloader:
    # calls hooks like this one
    on_train_batch_start()

    # train step
    loss = training_step(batch)

    # clear gradients
    optimizer.zero_grad()

    # backward
    loss.backward()

    # update parameters
    optimizer.step()

    losses.append(loss)
```

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## 8.3 Trainer in Python scripts

In Python scripts, it's recommended you use a main function to call the Trainer.

```
from argparse import ArgumentParser

def main(hparams):
    model = LightningModule()
    trainer = Trainer(gpus=hparams.gpus)
    trainer.fit(model)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    parser = ArgumentParser()
    parser.add_argument('--gpus', default=None)
    args = parser.parse_args()

    main(args)
```

So you can run it like so:



```
python main.py --gpus 2
```

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**Note:** Pro-tip: You don't need to define all flags manually. Lightning can add them automatically

---

```
from argparse import ArgumentParser

def main(args):
    model = LightningModule()
    trainer = Trainer.from_argparse_args(args)
    trainer.fit(model)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    parser = ArgumentParser()
    parser = Trainer.add_argparse_args(parser)
    args = parser.parse_args()

    main(args)
```

So you can run it like so:

```
python main.py --gpus 2 --max_steps 10 --limit_train_batches 10 --any_trainer_arg x
```

---

**Note:** If you want to stop a training run early, you can press “Ctrl + C” on your keyboard. The trainer will catch the `KeyboardInterrupt` and attempt a graceful shutdown, including running accelerator callback `on_train_end` to clean up memory. The trainer object will also set an attribute `interrupted` to `True` in such cases. If you have a callback which shuts down compute resources, for example, you can conditionally run the shutdown logic for only uninterrupted runs.

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## 8.4 Validation

You can perform an evaluation epoch over the validation set, outside of the training loop, using `pytorch_lightning.trainer.trainer.Trainer.validate()`. This might be useful if you want to collect new metrics from a model right at its initialization or after it has already been trained.

```
trainer.validate(val_dataloaders=val_dataloaders)
```

## 8.5 Testing

Once you're done training, feel free to run the test set! (Only right before publishing your paper or pushing to production)

```
trainer.test(test_dataloaders=test_dataloaders)
```

## 8.6 Reproducibility

To ensure full reproducibility from run to run you need to set seeds for pseudo-random generators, and set deterministic flag in Trainer.

Example:

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer, seed_everything

seed_everything(42, workers=True)
# sets seeds for numpy, torch, python.random and PYTHONHASHSEED.
model = Model()
trainer = Trainer(deterministic=True)
```

By setting `workers=True` in `seed_everything()`, Lightning derives unique seeds across all dataloader workers and processes for `torch`, `numpy` and `stdlib random` number generators. When turned on, it ensures that e.g. data augmentations are not repeated across workers.

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## 8.7 Trainer flags

### 8.7.1 accelerator

The accelerator backend to use (previously known as `distributed_backend`).

- ('dp') is DataParallel (split batch among GPUs of same machine)
- ('ddp') is DistributedDataParallel (each gpu on each node trains, and syncs grads)
- ('ddp\_cpu') is DistributedDataParallel on CPU (same as 'ddp', but does not use GPUs. Useful for multi-node CPU training or single-node debugging. Note that this will **not** give a speedup on a single node, since Torch already makes efficient use of multiple CPUs on a single machine.)
- ('ddp2') **dp on node, ddp across nodes. Useful for things like increasing** the number of negative samples

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(accelerator=None)
```

Example:

```
# dp = DataParallel
trainer = Trainer(gpus=2, accelerator='dp')

# ddp = DistributedDataParallel
trainer = Trainer(gpus=2, num_nodes=2, accelerator='ddp')

# ddp2 = DistributedDataParallel + dp
trainer = Trainer(gpus=2, num_nodes=2, accelerator='ddp2')
```

---

**Note:** This option does not apply to TPU. TPUs use 'ddp' by default (over each core)

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You can also modify hardware behavior by subclassing an existing accelerator to adjust for your needs.

Example:

```
class MyOwnAcc(Accelerator):
    ...

Trainer(accelerator=MyOwnAcc())
```

**Warning:** Passing in custom accelerators is experimental but work is in progress to enable full compatibility.

## 8.7.2 accumulate\_grad\_batches

Accumulates grads every k batches or as set up in the dict. Trainer also calls `optimizer.step()` for the last indivisible step number.

```
# default used by the Trainer (no accumulation)
trainer = Trainer(accumulate_grad_batches=1)
```

Example:

```
# accumulate every 4 batches (effective batch size is batch*4)
trainer = Trainer(accumulate_grad_batches=4)

# no accumulation for epochs 1-4. accumulate 3 for epochs 5-10. accumulate 20 after_
↳ that
trainer = Trainer(accumulate_grad_batches={5: 3, 10: 20})
```

## 8.7.3 amp\_backend

Use PyTorch AMP ('native') (available PyTorch 1.6+), or NVIDIA apex ('apex').

```
# using PyTorch built-in AMP, default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(amp_backend='native')

# using NVIDIA Apex
trainer = Trainer(amp_backend='apex')
```

## 8.7.4 amp\_level

The optimization level to use (O1, O2, etc...) for 16-bit GPU precision (using NVIDIA apex under the hood).

Check [NVIDIA apex docs](#) for level

Example:

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(amp_level='O2')
```

## 8.7.5 auto\_scale\_batch\_size

Automatically tries to find the largest batch size that fits into memory, before any training.

```
# default used by the Trainer (no scaling of batch size)
trainer = Trainer(auto_scale_batch_size=None)

# run batch size scaling, result overrides hparams.batch_size
trainer = Trainer(auto_scale_batch_size='binsearch')

# call tune to find the batch size
trainer.tune(model)
```

## 8.7.6 auto\_select\_gpus

If enabled and *gpus* is an integer, pick available gpus automatically. This is especially useful when GPUs are configured to be in “exclusive mode”, such that only one process at a time can access them.

Example:

```
# no auto selection (picks first 2 gpus on system, may fail if other process is
↳ occupying)
trainer = Trainer(gpus=2, auto_select_gpus=False)

# enable auto selection (will find two available gpus on system)
trainer = Trainer(gpus=2, auto_select_gpus=True)

# specifies all GPUs regardless of its availability
Trainer(gpus=-1, auto_select_gpus=False)

# specifies all available GPUs (if only one GPU is not occupied, uses one gpu)
Trainer(gpus=-1, auto_select_gpus=True)
```

### 8.7.7 auto\_lr\_find

Runs a learning rate finder algorithm (see this [paper](#)) when calling `trainer.tune()`, to find optimal initial learning rate.

```
# default used by the Trainer (no learning rate finder)
trainer = Trainer(auto_lr_find=False)
```

Example:

```
# run learning rate finder, results override hparams.learning_rate
trainer = Trainer(auto_lr_find=True)

# call tune to find the lr
trainer.tune(model)
```

Example:

```
# run learning rate finder, results override hparams.my_lr_arg
trainer = Trainer(auto_lr_find='my_lr_arg')

# call tune to find the lr
trainer.tune(model)
```

---

**Note:** See the *[learning rate finder guide](#)*.

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### 8.7.8 benchmark

If true enables `cuda.benchmark`. This flag is likely to increase the speed of your system if your input sizes don't change. However, if it does, then it will likely make your system slower.

The speedup comes from allowing the `cuda` auto-tuner to find the best algorithm for the hardware [[see discussion here](#)].

Example:

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(benchmark=False)
```

### 8.7.9 deterministic

If true enables `torch.backends.cudnn.deterministic`. Might make your system slower, but ensures reproducibility. Also sets `torch.set_float32_matmul_precision('high')`.

For more info check [\[pytorch docs\]](#).

Example:

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(deterministic=False)
```

### 8.7.10 callbacks

Add a list of *Callback*. Callbacks run sequentially in the order defined here with the exception of *ModelCheckpoint* callbacks which run after all others to ensure all states are saved to the checkpoints.

```
# a list of callbacks
callbacks = [PrintCallback()]
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=callbacks)
```

Example:

```
from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import Callback

class PrintCallback(Callback):
    def on_train_start(self, trainer, pl_module):
        print("Training is started!")
    def on_train_end(self, trainer, pl_module):
        print("Training is done.")
```

Model-specific callbacks can also be added inside the `LightningModule` through `configure_callbacks()`. Callbacks returned in this hook will extend the list initially given to the `Trainer` argument, and replace the trainer callbacks should there be two or more of the same type. *ModelCheckpoint* callbacks always run last.

### 8.7.11 check\_val\_every\_n\_epoch

Check val every n train epochs.

Example:

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(check_val_every_n_epoch=1)

# run val loop every 10 training epochs
trainer = Trainer(check_val_every_n_epoch=10)
```

### 8.7.12 checkpoint\_callback

By default Lightning saves a checkpoint for you in your current working directory, with the state of your last training epoch. Checkpoints capture the exact value of all parameters used by a model. To disable automatic checkpointing, set this to *False*.

```
# default used by Trainer
trainer = Trainer(checkpoint_callback=True)

# turn off automatic checkpointing
trainer = Trainer(checkpoint_callback=False)
```

You can override the default behavior by initializing the *ModelCheckpoint* callback, and adding it to the *callbacks* list. See *Saving and Loading Weights* for how to customize checkpointing.

```
from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import ModelCheckpoint
# Init ModelCheckpoint callback, monitoring 'val_loss'
checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(monitor='val_loss')

# Add your callback to the callbacks list
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[checkpoint_callback])
```

**Warning:** Passing a *ModelCheckpoint* instance to this argument is deprecated since v1.1 and will be unsupported from v1.3. Use *callbacks* argument instead.

### 8.7.13 default\_root\_dir

Default path for logs and weights when no logger or *pytorch\_lightning.callbacks.ModelCheckpoint* callback passed. On certain clusters you might want to separate where logs and checkpoints are stored. If you don't then use this argument for convenience. Paths can be local paths or remote paths such as *s3://bucket/path* or *'hdfs://path/'*. Credentials will need to be set up to use remote filepaths.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(default_root_dir=os.getcwd())
```

### 8.7.14 distributed\_backend

Deprecated: This has been renamed *accelerator*.

### 8.7.15 fast\_dev\_run

Runs *n* if set to *n* (int) else 1 if set to `True` batch(es) of train, val and test to find any bugs (ie: a sort of unit test).

Under the hood the pseudocode looks like this when running *fast\_dev\_run* with a single batch:

```
# loading
__init__()
prepare_data

# test training step
training_batch = next(train_dataloader)
training_step(training_batch)

# test val step
val_batch = next(val_dataloader)
out = validation_step(val_batch)
validation_epoch_end([out])
```

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(fast_dev_run=False)

# runs 1 train, val, test batch and program ends
trainer = Trainer(fast_dev_run=True)

# runs 7 train, val, test batches and program ends
trainer = Trainer(fast_dev_run=7)
```

---

**Note:** This argument is a bit different from `limit_train/val/test_batches`. Setting this argument will disable tuner, checkpoint callbacks, early stopping callbacks, loggers and logger callbacks like `LearningRateLogger` and runs for only 1 epoch. This must be used only for debugging purposes. `limit_train/val/test_batches` only limits the number of batches and won't disable anything.

---

### 8.7.16 flush\_logs\_every\_n\_steps

Writes logs to disk this often.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(flush_logs_every_n_steps=100)
```

**See Also:**

- *logging*



### 8.7.17 gpus

- Number of GPUs to train on (int)
- or which GPUs to train on (list)
- can handle strings

```
# default used by the Trainer (ie: train on CPU)
trainer = Trainer(gpus=None)

# equivalent
trainer = Trainer(gpus=0)
```

Example:

```
# int: train on 2 gpus
trainer = Trainer(gpus=2)

# list: train on GPUs 1, 4 (by bus ordering)
trainer = Trainer(gpus=[1, 4])
trainer = Trainer(gpus='1, 4') # equivalent

# -1: train on all gpus
trainer = Trainer(gpus=-1)
trainer = Trainer(gpus='-1') # equivalent

# combine with num_nodes to train on multiple GPUs across nodes
# uses 8 gpus in total
trainer = Trainer(gpus=2, num_nodes=4)

# train only on GPUs 1 and 4 across nodes
trainer = Trainer(gpus=[1, 4], num_nodes=4)
```

See Also:

- [Multi-GPU training guide](#).

### 8.7.18 gradient\_clip\_val

Gradient clipping value

- 0 means don't clip.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(gradient_clip_val=0.0)
```

### 8.7.19 limit\_train\_batches

How much of training dataset to check. Useful when debugging or testing something that happens at the end of an epoch.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(limit_train_batches=1.0)
```

Example:

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(limit_train_batches=1.0)

# run through only 25% of the training set each epoch
trainer = Trainer(limit_train_batches=0.25)

# run through only 10 batches of the training set each epoch
trainer = Trainer(limit_train_batches=10)
```

### 8.7.20 limit\_test\_batches

How much of test dataset to check.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(limit_test_batches=1.0)

# run through only 25% of the test set each epoch
trainer = Trainer(limit_test_batches=0.25)

# run for only 10 batches
trainer = Trainer(limit_test_batches=10)
```

In the case of multiple test dataloaders, the limit applies to each dataloader individually.

### 8.7.21 limit\_val\_batches

How much of validation dataset to check. Useful when debugging or testing something that happens at the end of an epoch.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(limit_val_batches=1.0)

# run through only 25% of the validation set each epoch
trainer = Trainer(limit_val_batches=0.25)
```

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```
# run for only 10 batches
trainer = Trainer(limit_val_batches=10)
```

In the case of multiple validation dataloaders, the limit applies to each dataloader individually.

### 8.7.22 log\_every\_n\_steps

How often to add logging rows (does not write to disk)

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(log_every_n_steps=50)
```

See Also:

- *logging*

### 8.7.23 log\_gpu\_memory

Options:

- None
- 'min\_max'
- 'all'

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(log_gpu_memory=None)

# log all the GPUs (on master node only)
trainer = Trainer(log_gpu_memory='all')

# log only the min and max memory on the master node
trainer = Trainer(log_gpu_memory='min_max')
```

---

**Note:** Might slow performance because it uses the output of `nvidia-smi`.

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### 8.7.24 logger

*Logger* (or iterable collection of loggers) for experiment tracking. A `True` value uses the default `TensorBoardLogger` shown below. `False` will disable logging.

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import TensorBoardLogger

# default logger used by trainer
logger = TensorBoardLogger(
    save_dir=os.getcwd(),
    version=1,
    name='lightning_logs'
)
Trainer(logger=logger)
```

### 8.7.25 max\_epochs

Stop training once this number of epochs is reached

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(max_epochs=1000)
```

### 8.7.26 min\_epochs

Force training for at least these many epochs

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(min_epochs=1)
```

### 8.7.27 max\_steps

Stop training after this number of steps Training will stop if `max_steps` or `max_epochs` have reached (earliest).

```
# Default (disabled)
trainer = Trainer(max_steps=None)

# Stop after 100 steps
trainer = Trainer(max_steps=100)
```

### 8.7.28 min\_steps

Force training for at least these number of steps. Trainer will train model for at least min\_steps or min\_epochs (latest).

```
# Default (disabled)
trainer = Trainer(min_steps=None)

# Run at least for 100 steps (disable min_epochs)
trainer = Trainer(min_steps=100, min_epochs=0)
```

### 8.7.29 max\_time

Set the maximum amount of time for training. Training will get interrupted mid-epoch. For customizable options use the Timer callback.

```
# Default (disabled)
trainer = Trainer(max_time=None)

# Stop after 12 hours of training or when reaching 10 epochs (string)
trainer = Trainer(max_time="00:12:00:00", max_epochs=10)

# Stop after 1 day and 5 hours (dict)
trainer = Trainer(max_time={"days": 1, "hours": 5})
```

In case max\_time is used together with min\_steps or min\_epochs, the min\_\* requirement always has precedence.

### 8.7.30 num\_nodes

Number of GPU nodes for distributed training.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(num_nodes=1)

# to train on 8 nodes
trainer = Trainer(num_nodes=8)
```

### 8.7.31 num\_processes

Number of processes to train with. Automatically set to the number of GPUs when using accelerator="ddp". Set to a number greater than 1 when using accelerator="ddp\_cpu" to mimic distributed training on a machine without GPUs. This is useful for debugging, but **will not** provide any speedup, since single-process Torch already makes efficient use of multiple CPUs.

```
# Simulate DDP for debugging on your GPU-less laptop
trainer = Trainer(accelerator="ddp_cpu", num_processes=2)
```

### 8.7.32 num\_sanity\_val\_steps

Sanity check runs  $n$  batches of val before starting the training routine. This catches any bugs in your validation without having to wait for the first validation check. The Trainer uses 2 steps by default. Turn it off or modify it here.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(num_sanity_val_steps=2)

# turn it off
trainer = Trainer(num_sanity_val_steps=0)

# check all validation data
trainer = Trainer(num_sanity_val_steps=-1)
```

This option will reset the validation dataloader unless `num_sanity_val_steps=0`.

### 8.7.33 overfit\_batches

Uses this much data of the training set. If nonzero, will use the same training set for validation and testing. If the training dataloaders have `shuffle=True`, Lightning will automatically disable it.

Useful for quickly debugging or trying to overfit on purpose.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(overfit_batches=0.0)

# use only 1% of the train set (and use the train set for val and test)
trainer = Trainer(overfit_batches=0.01)

# overfit on 10 of the same batches
trainer = Trainer(overfit_batches=10)
```

### 8.7.34 plugins

*Plugins* allow you to connect arbitrary backends, precision libraries, clusters etc. For example:

- *DDP*
- *TorchElastic*
- *Apex*

To define your own behavior, subclass the relevant class and pass it in. Here's an example linking up your own `ClusterEnvironment`.

```
from pytorch_lightning.plugins.environments import ClusterEnvironment

class MyCluster(ClusterEnvironment):

    def master_address(self):
        return your_master_address

    def master_port(self):
        return your_master_port

    def world_size(self):
        return the_world_size

trainer = Trainer(plugins=[MyCluster()], ...)
```

### 8.7.35 prepare\_data\_per\_node

If True will call `prepare_data()` on `LOCAL_RANK=0` for every node. If False will only call from `NODE_RANK=0`, `LOCAL_RANK=0`

```
# default
Trainer(prepare_data_per_node=True)

# use only NODE_RANK=0, LOCAL_RANK=0
Trainer(prepare_data_per_node=False)
```

### 8.7.36 precision

Double precision (64), full precision (32) or half precision (16). Can all be used on GPU or TPUs. Only double (64) and full precision (32) available on CPU.

If used on TPU will use `torch.bfloat16` but tensor printing will still show `torch.float32`.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(precision=32)

# 16-bit precision
trainer = Trainer(precision=16, gpus=1)

# 64-bit precision
trainer = Trainer(precision=64)
```

Example:

```
# one day
trainer = Trainer(precision=8|4|2)
```

### 8.7.37 process\_position

Orders the progress bar. Useful when running multiple trainers on the same node.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(process_position=0)
```

---

**Note:** This argument is ignored if a custom callback is passed to `callbacks`.

---

### 8.7.38 profiler

To profile individual steps during training and assist in identifying bottlenecks.

See the *profiler documentation*. for more details.

```
from pytorch_lightning.profiler import SimpleProfiler, AdvancedProfiler

# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(profiler=None)

# to profile standard training events, equivalent to `profiler=SimpleProfiler()`
trainer = Trainer(profiler="simple")

# advanced profiler for function-level stats, equivalent to
→ `profiler=AdvancedProfiler()`
trainer = Trainer(profiler="advanced")
```

### 8.7.39 progress\_bar\_refresh\_rate

How often to refresh progress bar (in steps).

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(progress_bar_refresh_rate=1)

# disable progress bar
trainer = Trainer(progress_bar_refresh_rate=0)
```

**Note:**

- In Google Colab notebooks, faster refresh rates (lower number) is known to crash them because of their screen refresh rates. Lightning will set it to 20 in these environments if the user does not provide a value.
- This argument is ignored if a custom callback is passed to `callbacks`.



### 8.7.40 reload\_dataloaders\_every\_epoch

Set to True to reload dataloaders every epoch.

```
# if False (default)
train_loader = model.train_dataloader()
for epoch in epochs:
    for batch in train_loader:
        ...

# if True
for epoch in epochs:
    train_loader = model.train_dataloader()
    for batch in train_loader:
```

### 8.7.41 replace\_sampler\_ddp

Enables auto adding of distributed sampler. By default it will add shuffle=True for train sampler and shuffle=False for val/test sampler. If you want to customize it, you can set replace\_sampler\_ddp=False and add your own distributed sampler. If replace\_sampler\_ddp=True and a distributed sampler was already added, Lightning will not replace the existing one.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(replace_sampler_ddp=True)
```

By setting to False, you have to add your own distributed sampler:

```
# default used by the Trainer
sampler = torch.utils.data.distributed.DistributedSampler(dataset, shuffle=True)
dataloader = DataLoader(dataset, batch_size=32, sampler=sampler)
```

### 8.7.42 resume\_from\_checkpoint

To resume training from a specific checkpoint pass in the path here. If resuming from a mid-epoch checkpoint, training will start from the beginning of the next epoch.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(resume_from_checkpoint=None)

# resume from a specific checkpoint
trainer = Trainer(resume_from_checkpoint='some/path/to/my_checkpoint.ckpt')
```

### 8.7.43 sync\_batchnorm

Enable synchronization between batchnorm layers across all GPUs.

```
trainer = Trainer(sync_batchnorm=True)
```

### 8.7.44 track\_grad\_norm

- no tracking (-1)
- Otherwise tracks that norm (2 for 2-norm)

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(track_grad_norm=-1)

# track the 2-norm
trainer = Trainer(track_grad_norm=2)
```

### 8.7.45 tpu\_cores

- How many TPU cores to train on (1 or 8).
- Which TPU core to train on [1-8]

A single TPU v2 or v3 has 8 cores. A TPU pod has up to 2048 cores. A slice of a POD means you get as many cores as you request.

Your effective batch size is `batch_size * total tpu cores`.

---

**Note:** No need to add a `DistributedSampler`, Lightning automatically does it for you.

---

This parameter can be either 1 or 8.

Example:

```
# your_trainer_file.py

# default used by the Trainer (ie: train on CPU)
trainer = Trainer(tpu_cores=None)

# int: train on a single core
trainer = Trainer(tpu_cores=1)

# list: train on a single selected core
trainer = Trainer(tpu_cores=[2])
```

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```
# int: train on all cores few cores
trainer = Trainer(tpu_cores=8)

# for 8+ cores must submit via xla script with
# a max of 8 cores specified. The XLA script
# will duplicate script onto each TPU in the POD
trainer = Trainer(tpu_cores=8)
```

To train on more than 8 cores (ie: a POD), submit this script using the `xla_dist` script.

Example:

```
python -m torch_xla.distributed.xla_dist
--tpu=$TPU_POD_NAME
--conda-env=torch-xla-nightly
--env=XLA_USE_BF16=1
-- python your_trainer_file.py
```

## 8.7.46 truncated\_bptt\_steps

Truncated back prop breaks performs backprop every k steps of a much longer sequence.

If this is enabled, your batches will automatically get truncated and the trainer will apply Truncated Backprop to it.

(Williams et al. “An efficient gradient-based algorithm for on-line training of recurrent network trajectories.”)

```
# default used by the Trainer (ie: disabled)
trainer = Trainer(truncated_bptt_steps=None)

# backprop every 5 steps in a batch
trainer = Trainer(truncated_bptt_steps=5)
```

**Note:** Make sure your batches have a sequence dimension.

Lightning takes care to split your batch along the time-dimension.

```
# we use the second as the time dimension
# (batch, time, ...)
sub_batch = batch[0, 0:t, ...]
```

Using this feature requires updating your LightningModule’s `pytorch_lightning.core.LightningModule.training_step()` to include a `hiddens` arg with the hidden

```
# Truncated back-propagation through time
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx, hiddens):
    # hiddens are the hiddens from the previous truncated backprop step
    out, hiddens = self.lstm(data, hiddens)
    return {
        "loss": ...,
        "hiddens": hiddens
    }
```

To modify how the batch is split, override `pytorch_lightning.core.LightningModule.tbptt_split_batch()`:

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):
    def tbptt_split_batch(self, batch, split_size):
        # do your own splitting on the batch
        return splits
```

### 8.7.47 val\_check\_interval

How often within one training epoch to check the validation set. Can specify as float or int.

- use (float) to check within a training epoch
- use (int) to check every n steps (batches)

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(val_check_interval=1.0)

# check validation set 4 times during a training epoch
trainer = Trainer(val_check_interval=0.25)

# check validation set every 1000 training batches
# use this when using IterableDataset and your dataset has no length
# (ie: production cases with streaming data)
trainer = Trainer(val_check_interval=1000)
```

### 8.7.48 weights\_save\_path

Directory of where to save weights if specified.

```
# default used by the Trainer
trainer = Trainer(weights_save_path=os.getcwd())

# save to your custom path
trainer = Trainer(weights_save_path='my/path')
```

Example:

```
# if checkpoint callback used, then overrides the weights path
# **NOTE: this saves weights to some/path NOT my/path
checkpoint = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath='some/path')
trainer = Trainer(
    callbacks=[checkpoint],
    weights_save_path='my/path'
)
```

## 8.7.49 weights\_summary

Prints a summary of the weights when training begins. Options: ‘full’, ‘top’, None.

```
# default used by the Trainer (ie: print summary of top level modules)
trainer = Trainer(weights_summary='top')

# print full summary of all modules and submodules
trainer = Trainer(weights_summary='full')

# don't print a summary
trainer = Trainer(weights_summary=None)
```

## 8.8 Trainer class API

### 8.8.1 Methods

#### init

`Trainer.__init__` (logger=True, checkpoint\_callback=True, callbacks=None, default\_root\_dir=None, gradient\_clip\_val=0.0, gradient\_clip\_algorithm='norm', process\_position=0, num\_nodes=1, num\_processes=1, gpus=None, auto\_select\_gpus=False, tpu\_cores=None, log\_gpu\_memory=None, progress\_bar\_refresh\_rate=None, overfit\_batches=0.0, track\_grad\_norm=-1, check\_val\_every\_n\_epoch=1, fast\_dev\_run=False, accumulate\_grad\_batches=1, max\_epochs=None, min\_epochs=None, max\_steps=None, min\_steps=None, max\_time=None, limit\_train\_batches=1.0, limit\_val\_batches=1.0, limit\_test\_batches=1.0, limit\_predict\_batches=1.0, val\_check\_interval=1.0, flush\_logs\_every\_n\_steps=100, log\_every\_n\_steps=50, accelerator=None, sync\_batchnorm=False, precision=32, weights\_summary='top', weights\_save\_path=None, num\_sanity\_val\_steps=2, truncated\_bptt\_steps=None, resume\_from\_checkpoint=None, profiler=None, benchmark=False, deterministic=False, reload\_dataloaders\_every\_epoch=False, auto\_lr\_find=False, replace\_sampler\_ddp=True, terminate\_on\_nan=False, auto\_scale\_batch\_size=False, prepare\_data\_per\_node=True, plugins=None, amp\_backend='native', amp\_level='O2', distributed\_backend=None, move\_metrics\_to\_cpu=False, multiple\_trainloader\_mode='max\_size\_cycle', stochastic\_weight\_avg=False)

Customize every aspect of training via flags

#### Parameters

- **accelerator** `Union[str, Accelerator, None]` – Previously known as `distributed_backend` (dp, ddp, ddp2, etc...). Can also take in an accelerator object for custom hardware.
- **accumulate\_grad\_batches** `Union[int, Dict[int, int], List[list]]` – Accumulates grads every k batches or as set up in the dict.
- **amp\_backend** `(str)` – The mixed precision backend to use (“native” or “apex”)

- **amp\_level** (str) – The optimization level to use (O1, O2, etc...).
- **auto\_lr\_find** (Union[bool, str]) – If set to True, will make `trainer.tune()` run a learning rate finder, trying to optimize initial learning for faster convergence. `trainer.tune()` method will set the suggested learning rate in `self.lr` or `self.learning_rate` in the LightningModule. To use a different key set a string instead of True with the key name.
- **auto\_scale\_batch\_size** (Union[str, bool]) – If set to True, will *initially* run a batch size finder trying to find the largest batch size that fits into memory. The result will be stored in `self.batch_size` in the LightningModule. Additionally, can be set to either *power* that estimates the batch size through a power search or *binsearch* that estimates the batch size through a binary search.
- **auto\_select\_gpus** (bool) – If enabled and *gpus* is an integer, pick available gpus automatically. This is especially useful when GPUs are configured to be in “exclusive mode”, such that only one process at a time can access them.
- **benchmark** (bool) – If true enables `cuda.cudnn.benchmark`.
- **callbacks** (Union[List[Callback], Callback, None]) – Add a callback or list of callbacks.
- **checkpoint\_callback** (bool) – If True, enable checkpointing. It will configure a default ModelCheckpoint callback if there is no user-defined ModelCheckpoint in *callbacks*.
- **check\_val\_every\_n\_epoch** (int) – Check val every n train epochs.
- **default\_root\_dir** (Optional[str]) – Default path for logs and weights when no logger/ckpt\_callback passed. Default: `os.getcwd()`. Can be remote file paths such as `s3://mybucket/path` or `'hdfs://path'`
- **deterministic** (bool) – If true enables `cuda.cudnn.deterministic`.
- **distributed\_backend** (Optional[str]) – deprecated. Please use ‘accelerator’
- **fast\_dev\_run** (Union[int, bool]) – runs n if set to n (int) else 1 if set to True batch(es) of train, val and test to find any bugs (ie: a sort of unit test).
- **flush\_logs\_every\_n\_steps** (int) – How often to flush logs to disk (defaults to every 100 steps).
- **gpus** (Union[int, str, List[int], None]) – number of gpus to train on (int) or which GPUs to train on (list or str) applied per node
- **gradient\_clip\_val** (float) – 0 means don’t clip.
- **gradient\_clip\_algorithm** (str) – ‘value’ means `clip_by_value`, ‘norm’ means `clip_by_norm`. Default: ‘norm’
- **limit\_train\_batches** (Union[int, float]) – How much of training dataset to check (float = fraction, int = num\_batches)
- **limit\_val\_batches** (Union[int, float]) – How much of validation dataset to check (float = fraction, int = num\_batches)
- **limit\_test\_batches** (Union[int, float]) – How much of test dataset to check (float = fraction, int = num\_batches)
- **limit\_predict\_batches** (Union[int, float]) – How much of prediction dataset to check (float = fraction, int = num\_batches)

- **logger** (Union[`LightningLoggerBase`, Iterable[`LightningLoggerBase`], bool]) – Logger (or iterable collection of loggers) for experiment tracking. A True value uses the default TensorBoardLogger. False will disable logging.
- **log\_gpu\_memory** (Optional[str]) – None, 'min\_max', 'all'. Might slow performance
- **log\_every\_n\_steps** (int) – How often to log within steps (defaults to every 50 steps).
- **prepare\_data\_per\_node** (bool) – If True, each LOCAL\_RANK=0 will call prepare data. Otherwise only NODE\_RANK=0, LOCAL\_RANK=0 will prepare data
- **process\_position** (int) – orders the progress bar when running multiple models on same machine.
- **progress\_bar\_refresh\_rate** (Optional[int]) – How often to refresh progress bar (in steps). Value 0 disables progress bar. Ignored when a custom progress bar is passed to callbacks. Default: None, means a suitable value will be chosen based on the environment (terminal, Google COLAB, etc.).
- **profiler** (Union[`BaseProfiler`, str, None]) – To profile individual steps during training and assist in identifying bottlenecks.
- **overfit\_batches** (Union[int, float]) – Overfit a fraction of training data (float) or a set number of batches (int).
- **plugins** (Union[List[Union[`Plugin`, `ClusterEnvironment`, str]], `Plugin`, `ClusterEnvironment`, str, None]) – Plugins allow modification of core behavior like ddp and amp, and enable custom lightning plugins.
- **precision** (int) – Double precision (64), full precision (32) or half precision (16). Can be used on CPU, GPU or TPUs.
- **max\_epochs** (Optional[int]) – Stop training once this number of epochs is reached. Disabled by default (None). If both max\_epochs and max\_steps are not specified, defaults to max\_epochs = 1000.
- **min\_epochs** (Optional[int]) – Force training for at least these many epochs. Disabled by default (None). If both min\_epochs and min\_steps are not specified, defaults to min\_epochs = 1.
- **max\_steps** (Optional[int]) – Stop training after this number of steps. Disabled by default (None).
- **min\_steps** (Optional[int]) – Force training for at least these number of steps. Disabled by default (None).
- **max\_time** (Union[str, timedelta, Dict[str, int], None]) – Stop training after this amount of time has passed. Disabled by default (None). The time duration can be specified in the format DD:HH:MM:SS (days, hours, minutes seconds), as a `datetime.datetime`, `timedelta`, or a dictionary with keys that will be passed to `datetime.datetime`.
- **num\_nodes** (int) – number of GPU nodes for distributed training.
- **num\_processes** (int) – number of processes for distributed training with distributed\_backend="ddp\_cpu"
- **num\_sanity\_val\_steps** (int) – Sanity check runs n validation batches before starting the training routine. Set it to -1 to run all batches in all validation dataloaders.
- **reload\_dataloaders\_every\_epoch** (bool) – Set to True to reload dataloaders every epoch.

- **replace\_sampler\_ddp** (bool) – Explicitly enables or disables sampler replacement. If not specified this will be toggled automatically when DDP is used. By default it will add `shuffle=True` for train sampler and `shuffle=False` for val/test sampler. If you want to customize it, you can set `replace_sampler_ddp=False` and add your own distributed sampler.
- **resume\_from\_checkpoint** (Union[str, Path, None]) – Path/URL of the checkpoint from which training is resumed. If there is no checkpoint file at the path, start from scratch. If resuming from mid-epoch checkpoint, training will start from the beginning of the next epoch.
- **sync\_batchnorm** (bool) – Synchronize batch norm layers between process groups/whole world.
- **terminate\_on\_nan** (bool) – If set to True, will terminate training (by raising a *ValueError*) at the end of each training batch, if any of the parameters or the loss are NaN or +/-inf.
- **tpu\_cores** (Union[int, str, List[int], None]) – How many TPU cores to train on (1 or 8) / Single TPU to train on [1]
- **track\_grad\_norm** (Union[int, float, str]) – -1 no tracking. Otherwise tracks that p-norm. May be set to 'inf' infinity-norm.
- **truncated\_bptt\_steps** (Optional[int]) – Deprecated in v1.3 to be removed in 1.5. Please use `truncated_bptt_steps` instead.
- **val\_check\_interval** (Union[int, float]) – How often to check the validation set. Use float to check within a training epoch, use int to check every n steps (batches).
- **weights\_summary** (Optional[str]) – Prints a summary of the weights when training begins.
- **weights\_save\_path** (Optional[str]) – Where to save weights if specified. Will override `default_root_dir` for checkpoints only. Use this if for whatever reason you need the checkpoints stored in a different place than the logs written in `default_root_dir`. Can be remote file paths such as `s3://mybucket/path` or `hdfs://path/` Defaults to `default_root_dir`.
- **move\_metrics\_to\_cpu** (bool) – Whether to force internal logged metrics to be moved to cpu. This can save some gpu memory, but can make training slower. Use with attention.
- **multiple\_trainloader\_mode** (str) – How to loop over the datasets when there are multiple train loaders. In 'max\_size\_cycle' mode, the trainer ends one epoch when the largest dataset is traversed, and smaller datasets reload when running out of their data. In 'min\_size' mode, all the datasets reload when reaching the minimum length of datasets.
- **stochastic\_weight\_avg** (bool) – Whether to use *Stochastic Weight Averaging (SWA)* <<https://pytorch.org/blog/pytorch-1.6-now-includes-stochastic-weight-averaging/>>\_



**fit**

`Trainer.fit(model, train_dataloader=None, val_dataloaders=None, datamodule=None)`

Runs the full optimization routine.

**Parameters**

- **model** `(LightningModule)` – Model to fit.
- **train\_dataloader** `(Optional[Any])` – Either a single PyTorch DataLoader or a collection of these (list, dict, nested lists and dicts). In the case of multiple dataloaders, please see this [page](#)
- **val\_dataloaders** `(Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], None])` – Either a single Pytorch Dataloader or a list of them, specifying validation samples. If the model has a predefined `val_dataloaders` method this will be skipped
- **datamodule** `(Optional[LightningDataModule])` – An instance of `LightningDataModule`.

**Return type** `None`

**validate**

`Trainer.validate(model=None, val_dataloaders=None, ckpt_path='best', verbose=True, datamodule=None)`

Perform one evaluation epoch over the validation set.

**Parameters**

- **model** `(Optional[LightningModule])` – The model to validate.
- **val\_dataloaders** `(Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], None])` – Either a single PyTorch DataLoader or a list of them, specifying validation samples.
- **ckpt\_path** `(Optional[str])` – Either `best` or path to the checkpoint you wish to validate. If `None`, use the current weights of the model. When the model is given as argument, this parameter will not apply.
- **verbose** `(bool)` – If `True`, prints the validation results.
- **datamodule** `(Optional[LightningDataModule])` – An instance of `LightningDataModule`.

**Return type** `List[Dict[str, float]]`

**Returns** The dictionary with final validation results returned by `validation_epoch_end`. If `validation_epoch_end` is not defined, the output is a list of the dictionaries returned by `validation_step`.

**test**

`Trainer.test(model=None, test_dataloaders=None, ckpt_path='best', verbose=True, datamodule=None)`

Perform one evaluation epoch over the test set. It's separated from `fit` to make sure you never run on your test set until you want to.

**Parameters**

- **model** `(Optional[LightningModule])` – The model to test.
- **test\_dataloaders** `(Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], None])` – Either a single PyTorch DataLoader or a list of them, specifying test samples.

- **ckpt\_path** (Optional[str]) – Either best or path to the checkpoint you wish to test. If None, use the current weights of the model. When the model is given as argument, this parameter will not apply.
- **verbose** (bool) – If True, prints the test results.
- **datamodule** (Optional[LightningDataModule]) – An instance of LightningDataModule.

**Return type** List[Dict[str, float]]

**Returns** Returns a list of dictionaries, one for each test dataloader containing their respective metrics.

## predict

`Trainer.predict(model=None, dataloaders=None, datamodule=None, return_predictions=None)`

Separates from fit to make sure you never run on your predictions set until you want to. This will call the model forward function to compute predictions.

### Parameters

- **model** (Optional[LightningModule]) – The model to predict with.
- **dataloaders** (Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], None]) – Either a single PyTorch DataLoader or a list of them, specifying inference samples.
- **datamodule** (Optional[LightningDataModule]) – The datamodule with a predict\_dataloader method that returns one or more dataloaders.
- **return\_predictions** (Optional[bool]) – Whether to return predictions. True by default except when an accelerator that spawns processes is used (not supported).

**Return type** Union[List[Any], List[List[Any]], None]

**Returns** Returns a list of dictionaries, one for each provided dataloader containing their respective predictions.

## tune

`Trainer.tune(model, train_dataloader=None, val_dataloaders=None, datamodule=None, scale_batch_size_kwargs=None, lr_find_kwargs=None)`

Runs routines to tune hyperparameters before training.

### Parameters

- **model** (LightningModule) – Model to tune.
- **train\_dataloader** (Optional[DataLoader]) – A Pytorch DataLoader with training samples. If the model has a predefined train\_dataloader method this will be skipped.
- **val\_dataloaders** (Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], None]) – Either a single Pytorch Dataloader or a list of them, specifying validation samples. If the model has a predefined val\_dataloaders method this will be skipped
- **datamodule** (Optional[LightningDataModule]) – An instance of LightningDataModule.
- **scale\_batch\_size\_kwargs** (Optional[Dict[str, Any]]) – Arguments for scale\_batch\_size()
- **lr\_find\_kwargs** (Optional[Dict[str, Any]]) – Arguments for lr\_find()

Return type `Dict[str, Union[int, _LRFinder, None]]`

## 8.8.2 Properties

### callback\_metrics

The metrics available to callbacks. These are automatically set when you log via *self.log*

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    self.log('a_val', 2)

callback_metrics = trainer.callback_metrics
assert callback_metrics['a_val'] == 2
```

### current\_epoch

The current epoch

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    current_epoch = self.trainer.current_epoch
    if current_epoch > 100:
        # do something
    pass
```

### logger (p)

The current logger being used. Here's an example using tensorboard

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    logger = self.trainer.logger
    tensorboard = logger.experiment
```

### logged\_metrics

The metrics sent to the logger (visualizer).

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    self.log('a_val', 2, log=True)

logged_metrics = trainer.logged_metrics
assert logged_metrics['a_val'] == 2
```

## log\_dir

The directory for the current experiment. Use this to save images to, etc...

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):  
    img = ...  
    save_img(img, self.trainer.log_dir)
```

## is\_global\_zero

Whether this process is the global zero in multi-node training

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):  
    if self.trainer.is_global_zero:  
        print('in node 0, accelerator 0')
```

## progress\_bar\_metrics

The metrics sent to the progress bar.

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):  
    self.log('a_val', 2, prog_bar=True)  
  
progress_bar_metrics = trainer.progress_bar_metrics  
assert progress_bar_metrics['a_val'] == 2
```

## ACCELERATORS

Accelerators connect a Lightning Trainer to arbitrary accelerators (CPUs, GPUs, TPUs, etc). Accelerators also manage distributed communication through *Plugins* (like DP, DDP, HPC cluster) and can also be configured to run on arbitrary clusters or to link up to arbitrary computational strategies like 16-bit precision via AMP and Apex.

An Accelerator is meant to deal with one type of hardware. Currently there are accelerators for:

- CPU
- GPU
- TPU

Each Accelerator gets two plugins upon initialization: One to handle differences from the training routine and one to handle different precisions.

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.accelerators import GPUAccelerator
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import NativeMixedPrecisionPlugin, DDPPlugin

accelerator = GPUAccelerator(
    precision_plugin=NativeMixedPrecisionPlugin(),
    training_type_plugin=DDPPlugin(),
)
trainer = Trainer(accelerator=accelerator)
```

We expose Accelerators and Plugins mainly for expert users who want to extend Lightning to work with new hardware and distributed training or clusters.

**Warning:** The Accelerator API is in beta and subject to change. For help setting up custom plugins/accelerators, please reach out to us at [support@pytorchlightning.ai](mailto:support@pytorchlightning.ai)

## 9.1 Accelerator API

<i>Accelerator</i>	The Accelerator Base Class.
<i>CPUAccelerator</i>	Accelerator for CPU devices.
<i>GPUAccelerator</i>	Accelerator for GPU devices.
<i>TPUAccelerator</i>	Accelerator for TPU devices.

## CALLBACK

A callback is a self-contained program that can be reused across projects.

Lightning has a callback system to execute callbacks when needed. Callbacks should capture NON-ESSENTIAL logic that is NOT required for your *lightning module* to run.

Here's the flow of how the callback hooks are executed:

An overall Lightning system should have:

1. Trainer for all engineering
2. LightningModule for all research code.
3. Callbacks for non-essential code.

Example:

```
from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import Callback

class MyPrintingCallback(Callback):

    def on_init_start(self, trainer):
        print('Starting to init trainer!')

    def on_init_end(self, trainer):
        print('trainer is init now')

    def on_train_end(self, trainer, pl_module):
        print('do something when training ends')

trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[MyPrintingCallback()])
```

```
Starting to init trainer!
trainer is init now
```

We successfully extended functionality without polluting our super clean *lightning module* research code.

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## 10.1 Examples

You can do pretty much anything with callbacks.

- Add a MLP to fine-tune self-supervised networks.
  - Find how to modify an image input to trick the classification result.
  - Interpolate the latent space of any variational model.
  - Log images to Tensorboard for any model.
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## 10.2 Built-in Callbacks

Lightning has a few built-in callbacks.

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**Note:** For a richer collection of callbacks, check out our [bolts library](#).

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<i>BackboneFinetuning</i>	Finetune a backbone model based on a learning rate user-defined scheduling.
<i>BaseFinetuning</i>	This class implements the base logic for writing your own Finetuning Callback.
<i>Callback</i>	Abstract base class used to build new callbacks.
<i>EarlyStopping</i>	Monitor a metric and stop training when it stops improving.
<i>GPUStatsMonitor</i>	Automatically monitors and logs GPU stats during training stage.
<i>GradientAccumulationScheduler</i>	Change gradient accumulation factor according to scheduling.
<i>LambdaCallback</i>	Create a simple callback on the fly using lambda functions.
<i>LearningRateMonitor</i>	Automatically monitor and logs learning rate for learning rate schedulers during training.
<i>ModelCheckpoint</i>	Save the model periodically by monitoring a quantity.
<i>ModelPruning</i>	Model pruning Callback, using PyTorch's prune utilities.
<i>BasePredictionWriter</i>	Base class to implement how the predictions should be stored.
<i>ProgressBar</i>	This is the default progress bar used by Lightning.
<i>ProgressBarBase</i>	The base class for progress bars in Lightning.
<i>QuantizationAwareTraining</i>	Quantization allows speeding up inference and decreasing memory requirements by performing computations and storing tensors at lower bitwidths (such as INT8 or FLOAT16) than floating point precision.
<i>StochasticWeightAveraging</i>	Implements the Stochastic Weight Averaging (SWA) Callback to average a model.

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### 10.2.1 BackboneFinetuning

```
class pytorch_lightning.callbacks.BackboneFinetuning (unfreeze_backbone_at_epoch=10,
                                                    lambda_func=<function
multiplicative>,                               back-
bone_initial_ratio_lr=0.1,
backbone_initial_lr=None,
should_align=True,                               ini-
tial_denom_lr=10.0,
train_bn=True, verbose=False,
round=12)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.finetuning.BaseFinetuning`

Finetune a backbone model based on a learning rate user-defined scheduling. When the backbone learning rate reaches the current model learning rate and `should_align` is set to `True`, it will align with it for the rest of the training.

#### Parameters

- **unfreeze\_backbone\_at\_epoch** (int) – Epoch at which the backbone will be unfreezed.
- **lambda\_func** (Callable) – Scheduling function for increasing backbone learning rate.
- **backbone\_initial\_ratio\_lr** (float) – Used to scale down the backbone learning rate compared to rest of model
- **backbone\_initial\_lr** (Optional[float]) – Optional, Initial learning rate for the backbone. By default, we will use `current_learning / backbone_initial_ratio_lr`
- **should\_align** (bool) – Wheter to align with current learning rate when backbone learning reaches it.
- **initial\_denom\_lr** (float) – When unfreezing the backbone, the intial learning rate will `current_learning_rate / initial_denom_lr`.
- **train\_bn** (bool) – Wheter to make Batch Normalization trainable.
- **verbose** (bool) – Display current learning rate for model and backbone
- **round** (int) – Precision for displaying learning rate

Example:

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import BackboneFinetuning
>>> multiplicative = lambda epoch: 1.5
>>> backbone_finetuning = BackboneFinetuning(200, multiplicative)
>>> trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[backbone_finetuning])
```

**finetune\_function** (pl\_module, epoch, optimizer, opt\_idx)

Called when the epoch begins.

**freeze\_before\_training** (pl\_module)

Override to add your freeze logic

**on\_fit\_start** (trainer, pl\_module)

Raises **MisconfigurationException** – If LightningModule has no `nn.Module backbone` attribute.

## 10.2.2 BaseFinetuning

**class** `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.BaseFinetuning`

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

This class implements the base logic for writing your own Finetuning Callback.

Override `freeze_before_training` and `finetune_function` methods with your own logic.

**freeze\_before\_training:** This method is called before `configure_optimizers` and should be used to freeze any modules parameters.

**finetune\_function:** This method is called on every train epoch start and should be used to unfreeze any parameters. Those parameters needs to be added in a new `param_group` within the optimizer.

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**Note:** Make sure to filter the parameters based on `requires_grad`.

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Example:

```
class MyModel(LightningModule):
    ...

    def configure_optimizer(self):
        # Make sure to filter the parameters based on `requires_grad`
        return Adam(filter(lambda p: p.requires_grad, self.parameters))

class FeatureExtractorFreezeUnfreeze(BaseFinetuning):

    def __init__(self, unfreeze_at_epoch=10):
        self._unfreeze_at_epoch = unfreeze_at_epoch

    def freeze_before_training(self, pl_module):
        # freeze any module you want
        # Here, we are freezing ``feature_extractor``
        self.freeze(pl_module.feature_extractor)

    def finetune_function(self, pl_module, current_epoch, optimizer, optimizer_
        ↪idx):
        # When `current_epoch` is 10, feature_extractor will start training.
        if current_epoch == self._unfreeze_at_epoch:
            self.unfreeze_and_add_param_group(
                modules=pl_module.feature_extractor,
                optimizer=optimizer,
                train_bn=True,
            )
```

**static filter\_on\_optimizer** (*optimizer, params*)

This function is used to exclude any parameter which already exists in this optimizer

**Parameters**

- **optimizer** `[Optimizer]` – Optimizer used for parameter exclusion
- **params** `[Iterable]` – Iterable of parameters used to check against the provided optimizer

**Return type** `List`

**Returns** List of parameters not contained in this optimizer param groups

**static filter\_params** (*modules*, *train\_bn=True*, *requires\_grad=True*)

Yields the *requires\_grad* parameters of a given module or list of modules.

**Parameters**

- **modules** `[Union[Module, Iterable[Union[Module, Iterable]]]]` – A given module or an iterable of modules
- **train\_bn** `(bool)` – Whether to train BatchNorm module
- **requires\_grad** `(bool)` – Whether to create a generator for trainable or non-trainable parameters.

**Return type** `Generator`

**Returns** Generator

**finetune\_function** (*pl\_module*, *epoch*, *optimizer*, *opt\_idx*)

Override to add your unfreeze logic

**static flatten\_modules** (*modules*)

This function is used to flatten a module or an iterable of modules into a list of its modules.

**Parameters** **modules** `[Union[Module, Iterable[Union[Module, Iterable]]]]` – A given module or an iterable of modules

**Return type** `List[Module]`

**Returns** List of modules

**static freeze** (*modules*, *train\_bn=True*)

Freezes the parameters of the provided modules

**Parameters**

- **modules** `[Union[Module, Iterable[Union[Module, Iterable]]]]` – A given module or an iterable of modules
- **train\_bn** `(bool)` – If True, leave the BatchNorm layers in training mode

**Return type** `None`

**Returns** None

**freeze\_before\_training** (*pl\_module*)

Override to add your freeze logic

**static make\_trainable** (*modules*)

Unfreezes the parameters of the provided modules

**Parameters** **modules** `[Union[Module, Iterable[Union[Module, Iterable]]]]` – A given module or an iterable of modules

**Return type** `None`

**on\_before\_accelerator\_backend\_setup** (*trainer*, *pl\_module*)

Called before accelerator is being setup

**on\_load\_checkpoint** (*trainer*, *pl\_module*, *callback\_state*)

Called when loading a model checkpoint, use to reload state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** `(Trainer)` – the current Trainer instance.

- **pl\_module** (LightningModule) – the current LightningModule instance.
- **callback\_state** (Dict[int, List[Dict[str, Any]]]) – the callback state returned by on\_save\_checkpoint.

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**Note:** The on\_load\_checkpoint won't be called with an undefined state. If your on\_load\_checkpoint hook behavior doesn't rely on a state, you will still need to override on\_save\_checkpoint to return a dummy state.

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**Return type** None

**on\_save\_checkpoint** (trainer, pl\_module, checkpoint)

Called when saving a model checkpoint, use to persist state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** (Trainer) – the current Trainer instance.
- **pl\_module** (LightningModule) – the current LightningModule instance.
- **checkpoint** (Dict[str, Any]) – the checkpoint dictionary that will be saved.

**Return type** Dict[int, List[Dict[str, Any]]]

**Returns** The callback state.

**on\_train\_epoch\_start** (trainer, pl\_module)

Called when the epoch begins.

**static unfreeze\_and\_add\_param\_group** (modules, optimizer, lr=None, initial\_denom\_lr=10.0, train\_bn=True)

Unfreezes a module and adds its parameters to an optimizer.

**Parameters**

- **modules** (Union[Module, Iterable[Union[Module, Iterable]]]) – A module or iterable of modules to unfreeze. Their parameters will be added to an optimizer as a new param group.
- **optimizer** (Optimizer) – The provided optimizer will receive new parameters and will add them to `add_param_group`
- **lr** (Optional[float]) – Learning rate for the new param group.
- **initial\_denom\_lr** (float) – If no lr is provided, the learning from the first param group will be used and divided by initial\_denom\_lr.
- **train\_bn** (bool) – Whether to train the BatchNormalization layers.

**Return type** None

**Returns** None

### 10.2.3 Callback

**class** `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.Callback`

Bases: `abc.ABC`

Abstract base class used to build new callbacks.

Subclass this class and override any of the relevant hooks

**on\_after\_backward** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called after `loss.backward()` and before optimizers do anything.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the training batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_batch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the training batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_before\_accelerator\_backend\_setup** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called before accelerator is being setup

**Return type** `None`

**on\_before\_zero\_grad** (*trainer, pl\_module, optimizer*)

Called after `optimizer.step()` and before `optimizer.zero_grad()`.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_configure\_sharded\_model** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called before configure sharded model

**Return type** `None`

**on\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when either of train/val/test epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when either of train/val/test epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_fit\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when fit ends

**Return type** `None`

**on\_fit\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when fit begins

**Return type** `None`

**on\_init\_end** (*trainer*)

Called when the trainer initialization ends, model has not yet been set.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_init\_start** (*trainer*)

Called when the trainer initialization begins, model has not yet been set.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_keyboard\_interrupt** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the training is interrupted by KeyboardInterrupt.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_load\_checkpoint** (*trainer, pl\_module, callback\_state*)

Called when loading a model checkpoint, use to reload state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** (*Trainer*) – the current *Trainer* instance.
- **pl\_module** (*LightningModule*) – the current *LightningModule* instance.
- **callback\_state** (*Dict[str, Any]*) – the callback state returned by `on_save_checkpoint`.

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**Note:** The `on_load_checkpoint` won't be called with an undefined state. If your `on_load_checkpoint` hook behavior doesn't rely on a state, you will still need to override `on_save_checkpoint` to return a dummy state.

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**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the predict batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_batch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the predict batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when predict ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs*)

Called when the predict epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the predict epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the predict begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_pretrain\_routine\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the pretrain routine ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_pretrain\_routine\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the pretrain routine begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_sanity\_check\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the validation sanity check ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_sanity\_check\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the validation sanity check starts.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_save\_checkpoint** (*trainer, pl\_module, checkpoint*)  
Called when saving a model checkpoint, use to persist state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** (*Trainer*) – the current *Trainer* instance.
- **pl\_module** (*LightningModule*) – the current *LightningModule* instance.
- **checkpoint** (*Dict[str, Any]*) – the checkpoint dictionary that will be saved.

**Return type** `dict`

**Returns** The callback state.

**on\_test\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)  
Called when the test batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_batch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)  
Called when the test batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the test ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the test epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the test epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the test begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)  
Called when the train batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_batch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)  
Called when the train batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the train ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, unused=None*)

Called when the train epoch ends.

To access all batch outputs at the end of the epoch, either:

1. Implement *training\_epoch\_end* in the *LightningModule* and access outputs via the module OR
2. Cache data across train batch hooks inside the callback implementation to post-process in this hook.

**on\_train\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the train epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the train begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the validation batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_batch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the validation batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the validation loop ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the val epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the val epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the validation loop begins.

**Return type** `None`

**setup** (*trainer, pl\_module, stage=None*)

Called when fit, validate, test, predict, or tune begins

**Return type** `None`

**teardown** (*trainer, pl\_module, stage=None*)

Called when fit, validate, test, predict, or tune ends

**Return type** `None`



## 10.2.4 EarlyStopping

```
class pytorch_lightning.callbacks.EarlyStopping (monitor='early_stop_on',
                                                min_delta=0.0,           patience=3,
                                                verbose=False,         mode='min',
                                                strict=True,            check_finite=True,
                                                stopping_threshold=None,  divergence_threshold=None,
                                                check_on_train_epoch_end=False)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Monitor a metric and stop training when it stops improving.

### Parameters

- **monitor** (str) – quantity to be monitored.
- **min\_delta** (float) – minimum change in the monitored quantity to qualify as an improvement, i.e. an absolute change of less than *min\_delta*, will count as no improvement.
- **patience** (int) – number of checks with no improvement after which training will be stopped. Under the default configuration, one check happens after every training epoch. However, the frequency of validation can be modified by setting various parameters on the Trainer, for example `check_val_every_n_epoch` and `val_check_interval`.

---

**Note:** It must be noted that the patience parameter counts the number of validation checks with no improvement, and not the number of training epochs. Therefore, with parameters `check_val_every_n_epoch=10` and `patience=3`, the trainer will perform at least 40 training epochs before being stopped.

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- **verbose** (bool) – verbosity mode.
- **mode** (str) – one of 'min', 'max'. In 'min' mode, training will stop when the quantity monitored has stopped decreasing and in 'max' mode it will stop when the quantity monitored has stopped increasing.
- **strict** (bool) – whether to crash the training if *monitor* is not found in the validation metrics.
- **check\_finite** (bool) – When set `True`, stops training when the monitor becomes NaN or infinite.
- **stopping\_threshold** (Optional[float]) – Stop training immediately once the monitored quantity reaches this threshold.
- **divergence\_threshold** (Optional[float]) – Stop training as soon as the monitored quantity becomes worse than this threshold.
- **check\_on\_train\_epoch\_end** (bool) – whether to run early stopping at the end of the training epoch. If this is `False`, then the check runs at the end of the validation epoch.

### Raises

- **MisconfigurationException** – If mode is none of "min" or "max".
- **RuntimeError** – If the metric *monitor* is not available.

Example:

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import EarlyStopping
>>> early_stopping = EarlyStopping('val_loss')
>>> trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[early_stopping])
```

**on\_load\_checkpoint** (*callback\_state*)

Called when loading a model checkpoint, use to reload state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** – the current `Trainer` instance.
- **pl\_module** – the current `LightningModule` instance.
- **callback\_state** (`Dict[str, Any]`) – the callback state returned by `on_save_checkpoint`.

---

**Note:** The `on_load_checkpoint` won't be called with an undefined state. If your `on_load_checkpoint` hook behavior doesn't rely on a state, you will still need to override `on_save_checkpoint` to return a dummy state.

---

**Return type** `None`

**on\_save\_checkpoint** (*trainer, pl\_module, checkpoint*)

Called when saving a model checkpoint, use to persist state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** – the current `Trainer` instance.
- **pl\_module** – the current `LightningModule` instance.
- **checkpoint** (`Dict[str, Any]`) – the checkpoint dictionary that will be saved.

**Return type** `Dict[str, Any]`

**Returns** The callback state.

**on\_train\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the train epoch ends.

To access all batch outputs at the end of the epoch, either:

1. Implement `training_epoch_end` in the `LightningModule` and access outputs via the module OR
2. Cache data across train batch hooks inside the callback implementation to post-process in this hook.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the validation loop ends.

**Return type** `None`

## 10.2.5 GPUStatsMonitor

```
class pytorch_lightning.callbacks.GPUStatsMonitor (memory_utilization=True,
                                                    gpu_utilization=True,          in-
                                                    tra_step_time=False,             in-
                                                    ter_step_time=False,
                                                    fan_speed=False,                tempera-
                                                    ture=False)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Automatically monitors and logs GPU stats during training stage. GPUStatsMonitor is a callback and in order to use it you need to assign a logger in the Trainer.

### Parameters

- **memory\_utilization** (bool) – Set to True to monitor used, free and percentage of memory utilization at the start and end of each step. Default: True.
- **gpu\_utilization** (bool) – Set to True to monitor percentage of GPU utilization at the start and end of each step. Default: True.
- **intra\_step\_time** (bool) – Set to True to monitor the time of each step. Default: False.
- **inter\_step\_time** (bool) – Set to True to monitor the time between the end of one step and the start of the next step. Default: False.
- **fan\_speed** (bool) – Set to True to monitor percentage of fan speed. Default: False.
- **temperature** (bool) – Set to True to monitor the memory and gpu temperature in degree Celsius. Default: False.

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If NVIDIA driver is not installed, not running on GPUs, or Trainer has no logger.

Example:

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import GPUStatsMonitor
>>> gpu_stats = GPUStatsMonitor()
>>> trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[gpu_stats])
```

GPU stats are mainly based on `nvidia-smi --query-gpu` command. The description of the queries is as follows:

- **fan.speed** – The fan speed value is the percent of maximum speed that the device's fan is currently intended to run at. It ranges from 0 to 100 %. Note: The reported speed is the intended fan speed. If the fan is physically blocked and unable to spin, this output will not match the actual fan speed. Many parts do not report fan speeds because they rely on cooling via fans in the surrounding enclosure.
- **memory.used** – Total memory allocated by active contexts.
- **memory.free** – Total free memory.
- **utilization.gpu** – Percent of time over the past sample period during which one or more kernels was executing on the GPU. The sample period may be between 1 second and 1/6 second depending on the product.
- **utilization.memory** – Percent of time over the past sample period during which global (device) memory was being read or written. The sample period may be between 1 second and 1/6 second depending on the product.
- **temperature.gpu** – Core GPU temperature, in degrees C.

- **temperature.memory** – HBM memory temperature, in degrees C.

**on\_train\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)  
Called when the train batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_batch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)  
Called when the train batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the train epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the train begins.

**Return type** `None`

## 10.2.6 GradientAccumulationScheduler

**class** `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.GradientAccumulationScheduler` (*scheduling*)  
Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Change gradient accumulation factor according to scheduling.

**Parameters** **scheduling** (`Dict[int, int]`) – scheduling in format {epoch: accumulation\_factor}

**Raises**

- **TypeError** – If scheduling is an empty dict, or not all keys and values of scheduling are integers.
- **IndexError** – If minimal\_epoch is less than 0.

Example:

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import GradientAccumulationScheduler

# at epoch 5 start accumulating every 2 batches
>>> accumulator = GradientAccumulationScheduler(scheduling={5: 2})
>>> trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[accumulator])

# alternatively, pass the scheduling dict directly to the Trainer
>>> trainer = Trainer(accumulate_grad_batches={5: 2})
```

**on\_train\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the train epoch begins.

### 10.2.7 LambdaCallback

```
class pytorch_lightning.callbacks.LambdaCallback (on_before_accelerator_backend_setup=None,
                                                setup=None,
                                                on_configure_sharded_model=None,
                                                teardown=None,
                                                on_init_start=None,
                                                on_init_end=None,
                                                on_fit_start=None,
                                                on_fit_end=None,
                                                on_sanity_check_start=None,
                                                on_sanity_check_end=None,
                                                on_train_batch_start=None,
                                                on_train_batch_end=None,
                                                on_train_epoch_start=None,
                                                on_train_epoch_end=None,
                                                on_validation_epoch_start=None,
                                                on_validation_epoch_end=None,
                                                on_test_epoch_start=None,
                                                on_test_epoch_end=None,
                                                on_epoch_start=None,
                                                on_epoch_end=None,
                                                on_batch_start=None,
                                                on_validation_batch_start=None,
                                                on_validation_batch_end=None,
                                                on_test_batch_start=None,
                                                on_test_batch_end=None,
                                                on_batch_end=None,
                                                on_train_start=None,
                                                on_train_end=None,
                                                on_pretrain_routine_start=None,
                                                on_pretrain_routine_end=None,
                                                on_validation_start=None,
                                                on_validation_end=None,
                                                on_test_start=None,
                                                on_test_end=None,
                                                on_keyboard_interrupt=None,
                                                on_save_checkpoint=None,
                                                on_load_checkpoint=None,
                                                on_after_backward=None,
                                                on_before_zero_grad=None,
                                                on_predict_start=None,
                                                on_predict_end=None,
                                                on_predict_batch_start=None,
                                                on_predict_batch_end=None,
                                                on_predict_epoch_start=None,
                                                on_predict_epoch_end=None)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Create a simple callback on the fly using lambda functions.

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – hooks supported by `Callback`

Example:

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import LambdaCallback
>>> trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[LambdaCallback(setup=lambda *args: print('setup
↳'))]])
```

## 10.2.8 LearningRateMonitor

**class** `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.LearningRateMonitor` (*logging\_interval=None*,  
*log\_momentum=False*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Automatically monitor and logs learning rate for learning rate schedulers during training.

### Parameters

- **logging\_interval** *(Optional[str])* – set to 'epoch' or 'step' to log lr of all optimizers at the same interval, set to None to log at individual interval according to the interval key of each scheduler. Defaults to None.
- **log\_momentum** *(bool)* – option to also log the momentum values of the optimizer, if the optimizer has the momentum or betas attribute. Defaults to False.

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If `logging_interval` is none of "step", "epoch", or None.

Example:

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import LearningRateMonitor
>>> lr_monitor = LearningRateMonitor(logging_interval='step')
>>> trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[lr_monitor])
```

Logging names are automatically determined based on optimizer class name. In case of multiple optimizers of same type, they will be named Adam, Adam-1 etc. If a optimizer has multiple parameter groups they will be named Adam/pg1, Adam/pg2 etc. To control naming, pass in a name keyword in the construction of the learning rate schedulers

Example:

```
def configure_optimizer(self):
    optimizer = torch.optim.Adam(...)
    lr_scheduler = {
        'scheduler': torch.optim.lr_scheduler.LambdaLR(optimizer, ...)
        'name': 'my_logging_name'
    }
    return [optimizer], [lr_scheduler]
```

**on\_train\_batch\_start** (*trainer, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Called when the train batch begins.

**on\_train\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Called when the train epoch begins.

**on\_train\_start** (*trainer, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Called before training, determines unique names for all lr schedulers in the case of multiple of the same type or in the case of multiple parameter groups

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If Trainer has no logger.

### 10.2.9 ModelCheckpoint

```
class pytorch_lightning.callbacks.ModelCheckpoint (dirpath=None,      filename=None,
                                                    monitor=None,      ver-
                                                   bose=False,      save_last=None,
                                                    save_top_k=None,
                                                    save_weights_only=False,
                                                    mode='min',
                                                    auto_insert_metric_name=True,
                                                    every_n_train_steps=None,      ev-
                                                    ery_n_val_epochs=None,      pe-
                                                    riod=None)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Save the model periodically by monitoring a quantity. Every metric logged with `log()` or `log_dict()` in `LightningModule` is a candidate for the monitor key. For more information, see [Saving and loading weights](#).

After training finishes, use `best_model_path` to retrieve the path to the best checkpoint file and `best_model_score` to retrieve its score.

#### Parameters

- **dirpath** (Union[str, Path, None]) – directory to save the model file.

Example:

```
# custom path
# saves a file like: my/path/epoch=0-step=10.ckpt
>>> checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath='my/path/')
```

By default, `dirpath` is `None` and will be set at runtime to the location specified by `Trainer`'s `default_root_dir` or `weights_save_path` arguments, and if the `Trainer` uses a logger, the path will also contain logger name and version.

- **filename** (Optional[str]) – checkpoint filename. Can contain named formatting options to be auto-filled.

Example:

```
# save any arbitrary metrics like `val_loss`, etc. in name
# saves a file like: my/path/epoch=2-val_loss=0.02-other_metric=0.
# 03.ckpt
>>> checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(
...     dirpath='my/path',
...     filename='{epoch}-{val_loss:.2f}-{other_metric:.2f}'
... )
```

By default, `filename` is `None` and will be set to `'{epoch}-{step}'`.

- **monitor** (Optional[str]) – quantity to monitor. By default it is `None` which saves a checkpoint only for the last epoch.
- **verbose** (bool) – verbosity mode. Default: `False`.
- **save\_last** (Optional[bool]) – When `True`, always saves the model at the end of the epoch to a file `last.ckpt`. Default: `None`.
- **save\_top\_k** (Optional[int]) – if `save_top_k == k`, the best `k` models according to the quantity monitored will be saved. if `save_top_k == 0`, no models are saved. if `save_top_k == -1`, all models are saved. Please note that the monitors are checked every `period` epochs. if `save_top_k >= 2` and the callback is called multiple times

inside an epoch, the name of the saved file will be appended with a version count starting with v1.

- **mode** (str) – one of {min, max}. If `save_top_k != 0`, the decision to overwrite the current save file is made based on either the maximization or the minimization of the monitored quantity. For 'val\_acc', this should be 'max', for 'val\_loss' this should be 'min', etc.
- **save\_weights\_only** (bool) – if True, then only the model's weights will be saved (`model.save_weights(filepath)`), else the full model is saved (`model.save(filepath)`).
- **every\_n\_train\_steps** (Optional[int]) – Number of training steps between checkpoints. If `every_n_train_steps == None` or `every_n_train_steps == 0`, we skip saving during training To disable, set `every_n_train_steps = 0`. This value must be None non-negative. This must be mutually exclusive with `every_n_val_epochs`.
- **every\_n\_val\_epochs** (Optional[int]) – Number of validation epochs between checkpoints. If `every_n_val_epochs == None` or `every_n_val_epochs == 0`, we skip saving on validation end To disable, set `every_n_val_epochs = 0`. This value must be None or non-negative. This must be mutually exclusive with `every_n_train_steps`. Setting both `ModelCheckpoint(..., every_n_val_epochs=V)` and `Trainer(max_epochs=N, check_val_every_n_epoch=M)` will only save checkpoints at epochs  $0 < E \leq N$  where both values for `every_n_val_epochs` and `check_val_every_n_epoch` evenly divide E.
- **period** (Optional[int]) – Interval (number of epochs) between checkpoints.

**Warning:** This argument has been deprecated in v1.3 and will be removed in v1.5.

Use `every_n_val_epochs` instead.

---

**Note:** For extra customization, `ModelCheckpoint` includes the following attributes:

- `CHECKPOINT_JOIN_CHAR = "-"`
- `CHECKPOINT_NAME_LAST = "last"`
- `FILE_EXTENSION = ".ckpt"`
- `STARTING_VERSION = 1`

For example, you can change the default last checkpoint name by doing `checkpoint_callback.CHECKPOINT_NAME_LAST = "{epoch}-last"`

---

### Raises

- **MisconfigurationException** – If `save_top_k` is neither None nor more than or equal to -1, if `monitor` is None and `save_top_k` is none of None, -1, and 0, or if `mode` is none of "min" or "max".
- **ValueError** – If `trainer.save_checkpoint` is None.

Example:



```

>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import ModelCheckpoint

# saves checkpoints to 'my/path/' at every epoch
>>> checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath='my/path/')
>>> trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[checkpoint_callback])

# save epoch and val_loss in name
# saves a file like: my/path/sample-mnist-epoch=02-val_loss=0.32.ckpt
>>> checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(
...     monitor='val_loss',
...     dirpath='my/path/',
...     filename='sample-mnist-{epoch:02d}-{val_loss:.2f}'
... )

# save epoch and val_loss in name, but specify the formatting yourself (e.g. to_
↳ avoid problems with Tensorboard
# or Neptune, due to the presence of characters like '=' or '/')
# saves a file like: my/path/sample-mnist-epoch02-val_loss0.32.ckpt
>>> checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(
...     monitor='val/loss',
...     dirpath='my/path/',
...     filename='sample-mnist-epoch{epoch:02d}-val_loss{val/loss:.2f}',
...     auto_insert_metric_name=False
... )

# retrieve the best checkpoint after training
checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath='my/path/')
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[checkpoint_callback])
model = ...
trainer.fit(model)
checkpoint_callback.best_model_path

```

**file\_exists** (*filepath, trainer*)

Checks if a file exists on rank 0 and broadcasts the result to all other ranks, preventing the internal state to diverge between ranks.

**Return type** `bool`

**format\_checkpoint\_name** (*metrics, ver=None*)

Generate a filename according to the defined template.

Example:

```

>>> tmpdir = os.path.dirname(__file__)
>>> ckpt = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath=tmpdir, filename='{epoch}')
>>> os.path.basename(ckpt.format_checkpoint_name(dict(epoch=0)))
'epoch=0.ckpt'
>>> ckpt = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath=tmpdir, filename='{epoch:03d}')
>>> os.path.basename(ckpt.format_checkpoint_name(dict(epoch=5)))
'epoch=005.ckpt'
>>> ckpt = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath=tmpdir, filename='{epoch}-{val_loss:.2f}')
>>> os.path.basename(ckpt.format_checkpoint_name(dict(epoch=2, val_loss=0.
↳ 123456)))
'epoch=2-val_loss=0.12.ckpt'
>>> ckpt = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath=tmpdir,
... filename='epoch={epoch}-validation_loss={val_loss:.2f}',
... auto_insert_metric_name=False)

```

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```
>>> os.path.basename(ckpt.format_checkpoint_name(dict(epoch=2, val_loss=0.
↪123456)))
'epoch=2-validation_loss=0.12.ckpt'
>>> ckpt = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath=tmpdir, filename='{missing:d}')
>>> os.path.basename(ckpt.format_checkpoint_name({}))
'missing=0.ckpt'
>>> ckpt = ModelCheckpoint(filename='{step}')
>>> os.path.basename(ckpt.format_checkpoint_name(dict(step=0)))
'step=0.ckpt'
```

**Return type** `str`

**on\_load\_checkpoint** (*trainer*, *pl\_module*, *callback\_state*)

Called when loading a model checkpoint, use to reload state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** `Trainer` – the current `Trainer` instance.
- **pl\_module** `LightningModule` – the current `LightningModule` instance.
- **callback\_state** `Dict[str, Any]` – the callback state returned by `on_save_checkpoint`.

---

**Note:** The `on_load_checkpoint` won't be called with an undefined state. If your `on_load_checkpoint` hook behavior doesn't rely on a state, you will still need to override `on_save_checkpoint` to return a dummy state.

---

**Return type** `None`

**on\_pretrain\_routine\_start** (*trainer*, *pl\_module*)

When pretrain routine starts we build the ckpt dir on the fly

**Return type** `None`

**on\_save\_checkpoint** (*trainer*, *pl\_module*, *checkpoint*)

Called when saving a model checkpoint, use to persist state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** `Trainer` – the current `Trainer` instance.
- **pl\_module** `LightningModule` – the current `LightningModule` instance.
- **checkpoint** `Dict[str, Any]` – the checkpoint dictionary that will be saved.

**Return type** `Dict[str, Any]`

**Returns** The callback state.

**on\_train\_batch\_end** (*trainer*, *pl\_module*, *outputs*, *batch*, *batch\_idx*, *dataloader\_idx*)

Save checkpoint on train batch end if we meet the criteria for *every\_n\_train\_steps*

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_end** (*trainer*, *pl\_module*)

Save a checkpoint at the end of the validation stage.

**Return type** `None`

**save\_checkpoint** (*trainer*, *unused=None*)

Performs the main logic around saving a checkpoint. This method runs on all ranks. It is the responsibility of *trainer.save\_checkpoint* to correctly handle the behaviour in distributed training, i.e., saving only on rank 0 for data parallel use cases.

**Return type** `None`

**to\_yaml** (*filepath=None*)

Saves the *best\_k\_models* dict containing the checkpoint paths with the corresponding scores to a YAML file.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.2.10 ModelPruning

```
class pytorch_lightning.callbacks.ModelPruning (pruning_fn,                                parameters_to_prune=None,                                parameter_names=None,
                                                use_global_unstructured=True,
                                                amount=0.5,                                apply_pruning=True,
                                                make_pruning_permanent=True,
                                                use_lottery_ticket_hypothesis=True,
                                                resample_parameters=False,                                pruning_dim=None,                                pruning_norm=None,
                                                verbose=0)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Model pruning Callback, using PyTorch's prune utilities. This callback is responsible of pruning networks parameters during training.

To learn more about pruning with PyTorch, please take a look at [this tutorial](#).

**Warning:** ModelPruning is in beta and subject to change.

```
parameters_to_prune = [
    (model.mlp_1, "weight"),
    (model.mlp_2, "weight")
]

trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[
    ModelPruning(
        pruning_fn='l1_unstructured',
        parameters_to_prune=parameters_to_prune,
        amount=0.01,
        use_global_unstructured=True,
    )
])
```

When *parameters\_to\_prune* is `None`, *parameters\_to\_prune* will contain all parameters from the model. The user can override *filter\_parameters\_to\_prune* to filter any `nn.Module` to be pruned.

#### Parameters

- **pruning\_fn** (`Union[Callable, str]`) – Function from `torch.nn.utils.prune` module or your own PyTorch `BasePruningMethod` subclass. Can also be string e.g. `"l1_unstructured"`. See `pytorch docs` for more details.

- **parameters\_to\_prune** (Union[List[Tuple[Module, str]], Tuple[Tuple[Module, str]], None]) – List of tuples (nn.Module, "parameter\_name\_string").
- **parameter\_names** (Optional[List[str]]) – List of parameter names to be pruned from the nn.Module. Can either be "weight" or "bias".
- **use\_global\_unstructured** (bool) – Whether to apply pruning globally on the model. If parameters\_to\_prune is provided, global unstructured will be restricted on them.
- **amount** (Union[int, float, Callable[[int], Union[int, float]]]) – Quantity of parameters to prune:
  - float. Between 0.0 and 1.0. Represents the fraction of parameters to prune.
  - int. Represents the absolute number of parameters to prune.
  - Callable. For dynamic values. Will be called every epoch. Should return a value.
- **apply\_pruning** (Union[bool, Callable[[int], bool]]) – Whether to apply pruning.
  - bool. Always apply it or not.
  - Callable[[epoch], bool]. For dynamic values. Will be called every epoch.
- **make\_pruning\_permanent** (bool) – Whether to remove all reparametrization pre-hooks and apply masks when training ends or the model is saved.
- **use\_lottery\_ticket\_hypothesis** (Union[bool, Callable[[int], bool]]) – See [The lottery ticket hypothesis](#):
  - bool. Whether to apply it or not.
  - Callable[[epoch], bool]. For dynamic values. Will be called every epoch.
- **resample\_parameters** (bool) – Used with use\_lottery\_ticket\_hypothesis. If True, the model parameters will be resampled, otherwise, the exact original parameters will be used.
- **pruning\_dim** (Optional[int]) – If you are using a structured pruning method you need to specify the dimension.
- **pruning\_norm** (Optional[int]) – If you are using ln\_structured you need to specify the norm.
- **verbose** (int) – Verbosity level. 0 to disable, 1 to log overall sparsity, 2 to log per-layer sparsity

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If parameter\_names is neither "weight" nor "bias", if the provided pruning\_fn is not supported, if pruning\_dim is not provided when "unstructured", if pruning\_norm is not provided when "ln\_structured", if pruning\_fn is neither str nor `torch.nn.utils.prune.BasePruningMethod`, or if amount is none of int, float and Callable.

#### **apply\_lottery\_ticket\_hypothesis()**

Lottery ticket hypothesis algorithm (see page 2 of the paper):

1. Randomly initialize a neural network  $f(x; \theta_0)$  (where  $\theta_0 \sim \mathcal{D}_\theta$ ).
2. Train the network for  $j$  iterations, arriving at parameters  $\theta_j$ .
3. Prune  $p\%$  of the parameters in  $\theta_j$ , creating a mask  $m$ .

4. Reset the remaining parameters to their values in  $\theta_0$ , creating the winning ticket  $f(x; m \odot \theta_0)$ .

This function implements the step 4.

The `resample_parameters` argument can be used to reset the parameters with a new  $\theta_z \sim \mathcal{D}_\theta$

**apply\_pruning** (*amount*)

Applies pruning to `parameters_to_prune`.

**filter\_parameters\_to\_prune** (*parameters\_to\_prune=None*)

This function can be overridden to control which module to prune.

**Return type** `Union[List[Tuple[Module, str]], Tuple[Tuple[Module, str]], None]`

**make\_pruning\_permanent** (*pl\_module*)

Removes pruning buffers from any pruned modules

Adapted from <https://github.com/pytorch/pytorch/blob/1.7.1/torch/nn/utils/prune.py#L1176-L1180>

**on\_before\_accelerator\_backend\_setup** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called before accelerator is being setup

**on\_save\_checkpoint** (*trainer, pl\_module, checkpoint*)

Called when saving a model checkpoint, use to persist state.

#### Parameters

- **trainer** – the current `Trainer` instance.
- **pl\_module** (`LightningModule`) – the current `LightningModule` instance.
- **checkpoint** (`Dict[str, Any]`) – the checkpoint dictionary that will be saved.

**Returns** The callback state.

**on\_train\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the train ends.

**on\_train\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the train epoch ends.

To access all batch outputs at the end of the epoch, either:

1. Implement `training_epoch_end` in the `LightningModule` and access outputs via the module OR
2. Cache data across train batch hooks inside the callback implementation to post-process in this hook.

**static sanitize\_parameters\_to\_prune** (*pl\_module, parameters\_to\_prune=None, parameter\_names=None*)

This function is responsible of sanitizing `parameters_to_prune` and `parameter_names`. If `parameters_to_prune` is `None`, it will be generated with all parameters of the model.

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If `parameters_to_prune` doesn't exist in the model, or if `parameters_to_prune` is neither a list of tuple nor `None`.

**Return type** `Union[List[Tuple[Module, str]], Tuple[Tuple[Module, str]]]`

### 10.2.11 BasePredictionWriter

**class** `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.BasePredictionWriter` (*write\_interval='batch'*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Base class to implement how the predictions should be stored.

**Parameters** `write_interval` (`str`) – When to write.

Example:

```
import torch
from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import BasePredictionWriter

class CustomWriter(BasePredictionWriter):

    def __init__(self, output_dir: str, write_interval: str):
        super().__init__(write_interval)
        self.output_dir

    def write_on_batch_end(
        self, trainer, pl_module: 'LightningModule', prediction: Any, batch_
        ↪indices: List[int], batch: Any,
        batch_idx: int, dataloader_idx: int
    ):
        torch.save(prediction, os.path.join(self.output_dir, dataloader_idx, f"
        ↪{batch_idx}.pt"))

    def write_on_epoch_end(
        self, trainer, pl_module: 'LightningModule', predictions: List[Any],
        ↪batch_indices: List[Any]
    ):
        torch.save(predictions, os.path.join(self.output_dir, "predictions.pt"))
```

**on\_predict\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the predict batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs*)

Called when the predict epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**write\_on\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, prediction, batch\_indices, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Override with the logic to write a single batch.

**Return type** `None`

**write\_on\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, predictions, batch\_indices*)

Override with the logic to write all batches.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.2.12 ProgressBar

`class pytorch_lightning.callbacks.ProgressBar (refresh_rate=1, process_position=0)`

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.progress.ProgressBarBase`

This is the default progress bar used by Lightning. It prints to *stdout* using the `tqdm` package and shows up to four different bars:

- **sanity check progress:** the progress during the sanity check run
- **main progress:** shows training + validation progress combined. It also accounts for multiple validation runs during training when `val_check_interval` is used.
- **validation progress:** only visible during validation; shows total progress over all validation datasets.
- **test progress:** only active when testing; shows total progress over all test datasets.

For infinite datasets, the progress bar never ends.

If you want to customize the default `tqdm` progress bars used by Lightning, you can override specific methods of the callback class and pass your custom implementation to the `Trainer`:

Example:

```
class LitProgressBar(ProgressBar):

    def init_validation_tqdm(self):
        bar = super().init_validation_tqdm()
        bar.set_description('running validation ...')
        return bar

bar = LitProgressBar()
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[bar])
```

#### Parameters

- **refresh\_rate** (int) – Determines at which rate (in number of batches) the progress bars get updated. Set it to 0 to disable the display. By default, the `Trainer` uses this implementation of the progress bar and sets the refresh rate to the value provided to the `progress_bar_refresh_rate` argument in the `Trainer`.
- **process\_position** (int) – Set this to a value greater than 0 to offset the progress bars by this many lines. This is useful when you have progress bars defined elsewhere and want to show all of them together. This corresponds to `process_position` in the `Trainer`.

#### `disable()`

You should provide a way to disable the progress bar. The `Trainer` will call this to disable the output on processes that have a rank different from 0, e.g., in multi-node training.

**Return type** `None`

#### `enable()`

You should provide a way to enable the progress bar. The `Trainer` will call this in e.g. pre-training routines like the `learning rate finder` to temporarily enable and disable the main progress bar.

**Return type** `None`

#### `init_predict_tqdm()`

Override this to customize the `tqdm` bar for predicting.

**Return type** `tqdm`

**`init_sanity_tqdm()`**

Override this to customize the tqdm bar for the validation sanity run.

**Return type** `tqdm`

**`init_test_tqdm()`**

Override this to customize the tqdm bar for testing.

**Return type** `tqdm`

**`init_train_tqdm()`**

Override this to customize the tqdm bar for training.

**Return type** `tqdm`

**`init_validation_tqdm()`**

Override this to customize the tqdm bar for validation.

**Return type** `tqdm`

**`on_predict_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`**

Called when the predict batch ends.

**`on_predict_end(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when predict ends.

**`on_predict_epoch_start(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the predict epoch begins.

**`on_sanity_check_end(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the validation sanity check ends.

**`on_sanity_check_start(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the validation sanity check starts.

**`on_test_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`**

Called when the test batch ends.

**`on_test_end(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the test ends.

**`on_test_start(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the test begins.

**`on_train_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`**

Called when the train batch ends.

**`on_train_end(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the train ends.

**`on_train_epoch_start(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the train epoch begins.

**`on_train_start(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the train begins.

**`on_validation_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`**

Called when the validation batch ends.

**`on_validation_end(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the validation loop ends.

**`on_validation_start(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the validation loop begins.



```
print(*args, sep=' ', end='\n', file=None, nlock=False)
```

You should provide a way to print without breaking the progress bar.

### 10.2.13 ProgressBarBase

**class** `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.ProgressBarBase`  
 Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

The base class for progress bars in Lightning. It is a `Callback` that keeps track of the batch progress in the `Trainer`. You should implement your highly custom progress bars with this as the base class.

Example:

```
class LitProgressBar(ProgressBarBase):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__() # don't forget this :)
        self.enable = True

    def disable(self):
        self.enable = False

    def on_train_batch_end(self, trainer, pl_module, outputs):
        super().on_train_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs) # don't forget
        ↪this :)
        percent = (self.train_batch_idx / self.total_train_batches) * 100
        sys.stdout.flush()
        sys.stdout.write(f'{percent:.01f} percent complete \r')

bar = LitProgressBar()
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[bar])
```

**disable()**

You should provide a way to disable the progress bar. The `Trainer` will call this to disable the output on processes that have a rank different from 0, e.g., in multi-node training.

**enable()**

You should provide a way to enable the progress bar. The `Trainer` will call this in e.g. pre-training routines like the `learning rate finder` to temporarily enable and disable the main progress bar.

**on\_init\_end(trainer)**

Called when the trainer initialization ends, model has not yet been set.

**on\_predict\_batch\_end(trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx)**

Called when the predict batch ends.

**on\_predict\_epoch\_start(trainer, pl\_module)**

Called when the predict epoch begins.

**on\_test\_batch\_end(trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx)**

Called when the test batch ends.

**on\_test\_start(trainer, pl\_module)**

Called when the test begins.

**on\_train\_batch\_end(trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx)**

Called when the train batch ends.

**on\_train\_epoch\_start(trainer, pl\_module)**

Called when the train epoch begins.

**on\_train\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the train begins.

**on\_validation\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the validation batch ends.

**on\_validation\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the validation loop begins.

**print** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

You should provide a way to print without breaking the progress bar.

**property predict\_batch\_idx**

The current batch index being processed during predicting. Use this to update your progress bar.

Return type `int`

**property test\_batch\_idx**

The current batch index being processed during testing. Use this to update your progress bar.

Return type `int`

**property total\_predict\_batches**

The total number of predicting batches during testing, which may change from epoch to epoch. Use this to set the total number of iterations in the progress bar. Can return `inf` if the predict dataloader is of infinite size.

Return type `int`

**property total\_test\_batches**

The total number of testing batches during testing, which may change from epoch to epoch. Use this to set the total number of iterations in the progress bar. Can return `inf` if the test dataloader is of infinite size.

Return type `int`

**property total\_train\_batches**

The total number of training batches during training, which may change from epoch to epoch. Use this to set the total number of iterations in the progress bar. Can return `inf` if the training dataloader is of infinite size.

Return type `int`

**property total\_val\_batches**

The total number of validation batches during validation, which may change from epoch to epoch. Use this to set the total number of iterations in the progress bar. Can return `inf` if the validation dataloader is of infinite size.

Return type `int`

**property train\_batch\_idx**

The current batch index being processed during training. Use this to update your progress bar.

Return type `int`

**property val\_batch\_idx**

The current batch index being processed during validation. Use this to update your progress bar.

Return type `int`

### 10.2.14 QuantizationAwareTraining

```
class pytorch_lightning.callbacks.QuantizationAwareTraining(qconfig='fbgemm',
                                                           ob-
                                                           server_type='average',
                                                           col-
                                                           lect_quantization=None,
                                                           mod-
                                                           ules_to_fuse=None,
                                                           in-
                                                           put_compatible=True)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Quantization allows speeding up inference and decreasing memory requirements by performing computations and storing tensors at lower bitwidths (such as INT8 or FLOAT16) than floating point precision. We use native PyTorch API so for more information see [Quantization](#).

**Warning:** `QuantizationAwareTraining` is in beta and subject to change.

#### Parameters

- **qconfig** (Union[str, QConfig]) – quantization configuration:
  - 'fbgemm' for server inference.
  - 'qnnpack' for mobile inference.
  - a custom `torch.quantization.QConfig`.
- **observer\_type** (str) – allows switching between `MovingAverageMinMaxObserver` as “average” (default) and `HistogramObserver` as “histogram” which is more computationally expensive.
- **collect\_quantization** (Union[Callable, int, None]) – count or custom function to collect quantization statistics:
  - **None** (default). **The quantization observer is called in each module forward** (useful for collecting extended statistic when using image/data augmentation).
  - **int**. Use to set a fixed number of calls, starting from the beginning.
  - **Callable**. **Custom function with single trainer argument**. See this example to trigger only the last epoch:

```
def custom_trigger_last(trainer):
    return trainer.current_epoch == (trainer.max_epochs - 1)

QuantizationAwareTraining(collect_quantization=custom_trigger_
    ↪last)
```

- **modules\_to\_fuse** (Optional[Sequence]) – allows you fuse a few layers together as shown in [diagram](#) to find which layer types can be fused, check <https://github.com/pytorch/pytorch/pull/43286>.
- **input\_compatible** (bool) – preserve quant/dequant layers. This allows to feat any input as to the original model, but break compatibility to torchscript.

**on\_fit\_end** (trainer, pl\_module)  
Called when fit ends

`on_fit_start` (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when fit begins

### 10.2.15 StochasticWeightAveraging

```
class pytorch_lightning.callbacks.StochasticWeightAveraging (swa_epoch_start=0.8,  
                                                            swa_lrs=None, an-  
nealing_epochs=10,  
anneal-  
ing_strategy='cos',  
avg_fn=None, de-  
vice=torch.device)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Implements the Stochastic Weight Averaging (SWA) Callback to average a model.

Stochastic Weight Averaging was proposed in Averaging Weights Leads to Wider Optima and Better Generalization by Pavel Izmailov, Dmitrii Podoprikin, Timur Garipov, Dmitry Vetrov and Andrew Gordon Wilson (UAI 2018).

This documentation is highly inspired by PyTorch's work on SWA. The callback arguments follow the scheme defined in PyTorch's `swa_utils` package.

For a SWA explanation, please take a look [here](#).

**Warning:** StochasticWeightAveraging is in beta and subject to change.

**Warning:** StochasticWeightAveraging is currently not supported for multiple optimizers/schedulers.

**Warning:** StochasticWeightAveraging is currently only supported on every epoch.

SWA can easily be activated directly from the Trainer as follow:

```
Trainer(stochastic_weight_avg=True)
```

#### Parameters

- **swa\_epoch\_start** (Union[int, float]) – If provided as int, the procedure will start from the `swa_epoch_start`-th epoch. If provided as float between 0 and 1, the procedure will start from `int(swa_epoch_start * max_epochs)` epoch
- **swa\_lrs** (Union[float, list, None]) – the learning rate value for all param groups together or separately for each group.
- **annealing\_epochs** (int) – number of epochs in the annealing phase (default: 10)
- **annealing\_strategy** (str) – Specifies the annealing strategy (default: “cos”):
  - “cos”. For cosine annealing.
  - “linear” For linear annealing

- **avg\_fn** (Optional[Callable[[Tensor, Tensor, LongTensor], FloatTensor]]) – the averaging function used to update the parameters; the function must take in the current value of the `AveragedModel` parameter, the current value of `model` parameter and the number of models already averaged; if `None`, equally weighted average is used (default: `None`)
- **device** (Union[device, str, None]) – if provided, the averaged model will be stored on the device. When `None` is provided, it will infer the *device* from `pl_module`. (default: `"cpu"`)

**static avg\_fn** (averaged\_model\_parameter, model\_parameter, num\_averaged)

Adapted from [https://github.com/pytorch/pytorch/blob/v1.7.1/torch/optim/swa\\_utils.py#L95-L97](https://github.com/pytorch/pytorch/blob/v1.7.1/torch/optim/swa_utils.py#L95-L97)

**Return type** FloatTensor

**on\_before\_accelerator\_backend\_setup** (trainer, pl\_module)

Called before accelerator is being setup

**on\_fit\_start** (trainer, pl\_module)

Called when fit begins

**on\_train\_end** (trainer, pl\_module)

Called when the train ends.

**on\_train\_epoch\_end** (trainer, \*args)

Called when the train epoch ends.

To access all batch outputs at the end of the epoch, either:

1. Implement `training_epoch_end` in the `LightningModule` and access outputs via the module OR
2. Cache data across train batch hooks inside the callback implementation to post-process in this hook.

**on\_train\_epoch\_start** (trainer, pl\_module)

Called when the train epoch begins.

**reset\_batch\_norm\_and\_save\_state** (pl\_module)

Adapted from [https://github.com/pytorch/pytorch/blob/v1.7.1/torch/optim/swa\\_utils.py#L140-L154](https://github.com/pytorch/pytorch/blob/v1.7.1/torch/optim/swa_utils.py#L140-L154)

**reset\_momenta** ()

Adapted from [https://github.com/pytorch/pytorch/blob/v1.7.1/torch/optim/swa\\_utils.py#L164-L165](https://github.com/pytorch/pytorch/blob/v1.7.1/torch/optim/swa_utils.py#L164-L165)

**static update\_parameters** (average\_model, model, n\_averaged, avg\_fn)

Adapted from [https://github.com/pytorch/pytorch/blob/v1.7.1/torch/optim/swa\\_utils.py#L104-L112](https://github.com/pytorch/pytorch/blob/v1.7.1/torch/optim/swa_utils.py#L104-L112)

## 10.3 Persisting State

Some callbacks require internal state in order to function properly. You can optionally choose to persist your callback's state as part of model checkpoint files using the callback hooks `on_save_checkpoint()` and `on_load_checkpoint()`. However, you must follow two constraints:

1. Your returned state must be able to be pickled.
2. You can only use one instance of that class in the Trainer callbacks list. We don't support persisting state for multiple callbacks of the same class.

## 10.4 Best Practices

The following are best practices when using/designing callbacks.

1. Callbacks should be isolated in their functionality.
  2. Your callback should not rely on the behavior of other callbacks in order to work properly.
  3. Do not manually call methods from the callback.
  4. Directly calling methods (eg. `on_validation_end`) is strongly discouraged.
  5. Whenever possible, your callbacks should not depend on the order in which they are executed.
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## 10.5 Available Callback hooks

### 10.5.1 setup

`Callback.setup(trainer, pl_module, stage=None)`

Called when fit, validate, test, predict, or tune begins

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.2 teardown

`Callback.teardown(trainer, pl_module, stage=None)`

Called when fit, validate, test, predict, or tune ends

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.3 on\_init\_start

`Callback.on_init_start(trainer)`

Called when the trainer initialization begins, model has not yet been set.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.4 on\_init\_end

`Callback.on_init_end(trainer)`

Called when the trainer initialization ends, model has not yet been set.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.5 on\_fit\_start

`Callback.on_fit_start(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when fit begins

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.6 on\_fit\_end

`Callback.on_fit_end(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when fit ends

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.7 on\_sanity\_check\_start

`Callback.on_sanity_check_start(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when the validation sanity check starts.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.8 on\_sanity\_check\_end

`Callback.on_sanity_check_end(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when the validation sanity check ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.9 on\_train\_batch\_start

`Callback.on_train_batch_start(trainer, pl_module, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`

Called when the train batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.10 on\_train\_batch\_end

`Callback.on_train_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`

Called when the train batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.11 on\_train\_epoch\_start

`Callback.on_train_epoch_start(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when the train epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.12 on\_train\_epoch\_end

`Callback.on_train_epoch_end(trainer, pl_module, unused=None)`

Called when the train epoch ends.

To access all batch outputs at the end of the epoch, either:

1. Implement *training\_epoch\_end* in the *LightningModule* and access outputs via the module OR
2. Cache data across train batch hooks inside the callback implementation to post-process in this hook.

### 10.5.13 on\_validation\_epoch\_start

`Callback.on_validation_epoch_start(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when the val epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.14 on\_validation\_epoch\_end

`Callback.on_validation_epoch_end(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when the val epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.15 on\_test\_epoch\_start

`Callback.on_test_epoch_start(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when the test epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.16 on\_test\_epoch\_end

`Callback.on_test_epoch_end(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when the test epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.17 on\_epoch\_start

`Callback.on_epoch_start(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when either of train/val/test epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`



### 10.5.18 on\_epoch\_end

`Callback.on_epoch_end(trainer, pl_module)`  
Called when either of train/val/test epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.19 on\_batch\_start

`Callback.on_batch_start(trainer, pl_module)`  
Called when the training batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.20 on\_validation\_batch\_start

`Callback.on_validation_batch_start(trainer, pl_module, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`  
Called when the validation batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.21 on\_validation\_batch\_end

`Callback.on_validation_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`  
Called when the validation batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.22 on\_test\_batch\_start

`Callback.on_test_batch_start(trainer, pl_module, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`  
Called when the test batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.23 on\_test\_batch\_end

`Callback.on_test_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`  
Called when the test batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.24 on\_batch\_end

`Callback.on_batch_end(trainer, pl_module)`  
Called when the training batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.25 on\_train\_start

`Callback.on_train_start(trainer, pl_module)`  
Called when the train begins.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.26 on\_train\_end

`Callback.on_train_end(trainer, pl_module)`  
Called when the train ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.27 on\_pretrain\_routine\_start

`Callback.on_pretrain_routine_start(trainer, pl_module)`  
Called when the pretrain routine begins.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.28 on\_pretrain\_routine\_end

`Callback.on_pretrain_routine_end(trainer, pl_module)`  
Called when the pretrain routine ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.29 on\_validation\_start

`Callback.on_validation_start(trainer, pl_module)`  
Called when the validation loop begins.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.30 on\_validation\_end

`Callback.on_validation_end(trainer, pl_module)`  
Called when the validation loop ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.31 on\_test\_start

`Callback.on_test_start(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when the test begins.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.32 on\_test\_end

`Callback.on_test_end(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when the test ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.33 on\_keyboard\_interrupt

`Callback.on_keyboard_interrupt(trainer, pl_module)`

Called when the training is interrupted by `KeyboardInterrupt`.

**Return type** `None`

### 10.5.34 on\_save\_checkpoint

`Callback.on_save_checkpoint(trainer, pl_module, checkpoint)`

Called when saving a model checkpoint, use to persist state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** `(Trainer)` – the current `Trainer` instance.
- **pl\_module** `(LightningModule)` – the current `LightningModule` instance.
- **checkpoint** `(Dict[str, Any])` – the checkpoint dictionary that will be saved.

**Return type** `dict`

**Returns** The callback state.

### 10.5.35 on\_load\_checkpoint

`Callback.on_load_checkpoint(trainer, pl_module, callback_state)`

Called when loading a model checkpoint, use to reload state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** `(Trainer)` – the current `Trainer` instance.
- **pl\_module** `(LightningModule)` – the current `LightningModule` instance.
- **callback\_state** `(Dict[str, Any])` – the callback state returned by `on_save_checkpoint`.

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**Note:** The `on_load_checkpoint` won't be called with an undefined state. If your `on_load_checkpoint` hook behavior doesn't rely on a state, you will still need to override `on_save_checkpoint` to return a dummy state.

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Return type `None`

### 10.5.36 `on_after_backward`

`Callback.on_after_backward(trainer, pl_module)`

Called after `loss.backward()` and before optimizers do anything.

Return type `None`

### 10.5.37 `on_before_zero_grad`

`Callback.on_before_zero_grad(trainer, pl_module, optimizer)`

Called after `optimizer.step()` and before `optimizer.zero_grad()`.

Return type `None`

## LIGHTNINGDATAMODULE

A datamodule is a shareable, reusable class that encapsulates all the steps needed to process data:

A datamodule encapsulates the five steps involved in data processing in PyTorch:

1. Download / tokenize / process.
2. Clean and (maybe) save to disk.
3. Load inside `Dataset`.
4. Apply transforms (rotate, tokenize, etc...).
5. Wrap inside a `DataLoader`.

This class can then be shared and used anywhere:

```
from pl_bolts.datamodules import CIFAR10DataModule, ImagenetDataModule

model = LitClassifier()
trainer = Trainer()

imagenet = ImagenetDataModule()
trainer.fit(model, imagenet)

cifar10 = CIFAR10DataModule()
trainer.fit(model, cifar10)
```

## 11.1 Why do I need a DataModule?

In normal PyTorch code, the data cleaning/preparation is usually scattered across many files. This makes sharing and reusing the exact splits and transforms across projects impossible.

Datamodules are for you if you ever asked the questions:

- what splits did you use?
  - what transforms did you use?
  - what normalization did you use?
  - how did you prepare/tokenize the data?
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## 11.2 What is a DataModule

A DataModule is simply a collection of a train\_dataloader, val\_dataloader(s), test\_dataloader(s) along with the matching transforms and data processing/downloads steps required.

Here's a simple PyTorch example:

```
# regular PyTorch
test_data = MNIST(my_path, train=False, download=True)
train_data = MNIST(my_path, train=True, download=True)
train_data, val_data = random_split(train_data, [55000, 5000])

train_loader = DataLoader(train_data, batch_size=32)
val_loader = DataLoader(val_data, batch_size=32)
test_loader = DataLoader(test_data, batch_size=32)
```

The equivalent DataModule just organizes the same exact code, but makes it reusable across projects.

```
class MNISTDataModule(pl.LightningDataModule):

    def __init__(self, data_dir: str = "path/to/dir", batch_size: int = 32):
        super().__init__()
        self.data_dir = data_dir
        self.batch_size = batch_size

    def setup(self, stage: Optional[str] = None):
        self.mnist_test = MNIST(self.data_dir, train=False)
        mnist_full = MNIST(self.data_dir, train=True)
        self.mnist_train, self.mnist_val = random_split(mnist_full, [55000, 5000])

    def train_dataloader(self):
        return DataLoader(self.mnist_train, batch_size=self.batch_size)

    def val_dataloader(self):
        return DataLoader(self.mnist_val, batch_size=self.batch_size)

    def test_dataloader(self):
        return DataLoader(self.mnist_test, batch_size=self.batch_size)

    def teardown(self, stage: Optional[str] = None):
```

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```
# Used to clean-up when the run is finished
...
```

But now, as the complexity of your processing grows (transforms, multiple-GPU training), you can let Lightning handle those details for you while making this dataset reusable so you can share with colleagues or use in different projects.

```
mnist = MNISTDataModule(my_path)
model = LitClassifier()

trainer = Trainer()
trainer.fit(model, mnist)
```

Here's a more realistic, complex DataModule that shows how much more reusable the datamodule is.

```
import pytorch_lightning as pl
from torch.utils.data import random_split, DataLoader

# Note - you must have torchvision installed for this example
from torchvision.datasets import MNIST
from torchvision import transforms

class MNISTDataModule(pl.LightningDataModule):

    def __init__(self, data_dir: str = './'):
        super().__init__()
        self.data_dir = data_dir
        self.transform = transforms.Compose([
            transforms.ToTensor(),
            transforms.Normalize((0.1307,), (0.3081,))
        ])

        # self.dims is returned when you call dm.size()
        # Setting default dims here because we know them.
        # Could optionally be assigned dynamically in dm.setup()
        self.dims = (1, 28, 28)

    def prepare_data(self):
        # download
        MNIST(self.data_dir, train=True, download=True)
        MNIST(self.data_dir, train=False, download=True)

    def setup(self, stage: Optional[str] = None):

        # Assign train/val datasets for use in dataloaders
        if stage == 'fit' or stage is None:
            mnist_full = MNIST(self.data_dir, train=True, transform=self.transform)
            self.mnist_train, self.mnist_val = random_split(mnist_full, [55000, 5000])

            # Optionally...
            # self.dims = tuple(self.mnist_train[0][0].shape)

            # Assign test dataset for use in dataloader(s)
            if stage == 'test' or stage is None:
                self.mnist_test = MNIST(self.data_dir, train=False, transform=self.
↪transform)
```

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```

        # Optionally...
        # self.dims = tuple(self.mnist_test[0][0].shape)

    def train_dataloader(self):
        return DataLoader(self.mnist_train, batch_size=32)

    def val_dataloader(self):
        return DataLoader(self.mnist_val, batch_size=32)

    def test_dataloader(self):
        return DataLoader(self.mnist_test, batch_size=32)

```

## 11.3 LightningDataModule API

To define a DataModule define 5 methods:

- `prepare_data` (how to download(), tokenize, etc...)
- `setup` (how to split, etc...)
- `train_dataloader`
- `val_dataloader(s)`
- `test_dataloader(s)`

and optionally one or multiple `predict_dataloader(s)`.

### 11.3.1 prepare\_data

Use this method to do things that might write to disk or that need to be done only from a single process in distributed settings.

- download
- tokenize
- etc...

```

class MNISTDataModule(pl.LightningDataModule):
    def prepare_data(self):
        # download
        MNIST(os.getcwd(), train=True, download=True, transform=transforms.ToTensor())
        MNIST(os.getcwd(), train=False, download=True, transform=transforms.
↪ ToTensor())

```

**Warning:** `prepare_data` is called from a single process (e.g. GPU 0). Do not use it to assign state (`self.x = y`).



### 11.3.2 setup

There are also data operations you might want to perform on every GPU. Use setup to do things like:

- count number of classes
- build vocabulary
- perform train/val/test splits
- apply transforms (defined explicitly in your datamodule or assigned in init)
- etc...

```
import pytorch_lightning as pl

class MNISTDataModule(pl.LightningDataModule):

    def setup(self, stage: Optional[str] = None):

        # Assign Train/val split(s) for use in Dataloaders
        if stage in (None, 'fit'):
            mnist_full = MNIST(
                self.data_dir,
                train=True,
                download=True,
                transform=self.transform
            )
            self.mnist_train, self.mnist_val = random_split(mnist_full, [55000, 5000])
            self.dims = self.mnist_train[0][0].shape

        # Assign Test split(s) for use in Dataloaders
        if stage in (None, 'test'):
            self.mnist_test = MNIST(
                self.data_dir,
                train=False,
                download=True,
                transform=self.transform
            )
            self.dims = getattr(self, 'dims', self.mnist_test[0][0].shape)
```

setup() expects an stage: Optional[str] argument. It is used to separate setup logic for trainer. {fit, validate, test}. If setup is called with stage = None, we assume all stages have been set-up.

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**Note:** setup is called from every process. Setting state here is okay.

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**Note:** teardown can be used to clean up the state. It is also called from every process

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**Note:** {setup, teardown, prepare\_data} call will be only called once for a specific stage. If the stage was None then we assume {fit, validate, test} have been called. For example, this means that any duplicate dm.setup('fit') calls will be a no-op. To avoid this, you can overwrite dm.\_has\_setup\_fit = False

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### 11.3.3 train\_dataloader

Use this method to generate the train dataloader. Usually you just wrap the dataset you defined in `setup`.

```
import pytorch_lightning as pl

class MNISTDataModule(pl.LightningDataModule):
    def train_dataloader(self):
        return DataLoader(self.mnist_train, batch_size=64)
```

### 11.3.4 val\_dataloader

Use this method to generate the val dataloader. Usually you just wrap the dataset you defined in `setup`.

```
import pytorch_lightning as pl

class MNISTDataModule(pl.LightningDataModule):
    def val_dataloader(self):
        return DataLoader(self.mnist_val, batch_size=64)
```

### 11.3.5 test\_dataloader

Use this method to generate the test dataloader. Usually you just wrap the dataset you defined in `setup`.

```
import pytorch_lightning as pl

class MNISTDataModule(pl.LightningDataModule):
    def test_dataloader(self):
        return DataLoader(self.mnist_test, batch_size=64)
```

### 11.3.6 predict\_dataloader

Returns a special dataloader for inference. This is the dataloader that the Trainer `predict()` method uses.

```
import pytorch_lightning as pl

class MNISTDataModule(pl.LightningDataModule):
    def predict_dataloader(self):
        return DataLoader(self.mnist_test, batch_size=64)
```

### 11.3.7 transfer\_batch\_to\_device

Override to define how you want to move an arbitrary batch to a device.

```
class MNISTDataModule(LightningDataModule):
    def transfer_batch_to_device(self, batch, device):
        x = batch['x']
        x = CustomDataWrapper(x)
        batch['x'] = x.to(device)
        return batch
```

**Note:** This hook only runs on single GPU training and DDP (no data-parallel).

### 11.3.8 on\_before\_batch\_transfer

Override to alter or apply augmentations to your batch before it is transferred to the device.

```
class MNISTDataModule(LightningDataModule):
    def on_before_batch_transfer(self, batch, dataloader_idx):
        batch['x'] = transforms(batch['x'])
        return batch
```

**Warning:** Currently `dataloader_idx` always returns 0 and will be updated to support the true `idx` in the future.

**Note:** This hook only runs on single GPU training and DDP (no data-parallel).

### 11.3.9 on\_after\_batch\_transfer

Override to alter or apply augmentations to your batch after it is transferred to the device.

```
class MNISTDataModule(LightningDataModule):
    def on_after_batch_transfer(self, batch, dataloader_idx):
        batch['x'] = gpu_transforms(batch['x'])
        return batch
```

**Warning:** Currently `dataloader_idx` always returns 0 and will be updated to support the true `idx` in the future.

**Note:** This hook only runs on single GPU training and DDP (no data-parallel). This hook will also be called when using CPU device, so adding augmentations here or in `on_before_batch_transfer` means the same thing.

**Note:** To decouple your data from transforms you can parametrize them via `__init__`.

```
class MNISTDataModule(pl.LightningDataModule):
    def __init__(self, train_transforms, val_transforms, test_transforms):
        super().__init__()
        self.train_transforms = train_transforms
        self.val_transforms = val_transforms
        self.test_transforms = test_transforms
```

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## 11.4 Using a DataModule

The recommended way to use a DataModule is simply:

```
dm = MNISTDataModule()
model = Model()
trainer.fit(model, dm)
trainer.test(datamodule=dm)
```

If you need information from the dataset to build your model, then run `prepare_data()` and `setup()` manually (Lightning ensures the method runs on the correct devices).

```
dm = MNISTDataModule()
dm.prepare_data()
dm.setup(stage='fit')

model = Model(num_classes=dm.num_classes, width=dm.width, vocab=dm.vocab)
trainer.fit(model, dm)

dm.setup(stage='test')
trainer.test(datamodule=dm)
```

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## 11.5 DataModules without Lightning

You can of course use DataModules in plain PyTorch code as well.

```
# download, etc...
dm = MNISTDataModule()
dm.prepare_data()

# splits/transforms
dm.setup(stage='fit')

# use data
for batch in dm.train_dataloader():
    ...
for batch in dm.val_dataloader():
    ...

dm.teardown(stage='fit')

# lazy load test data
```

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```
dm.setup(stage='test')
for batch in dm.test_dataloader():
    ...

dm.teardown(stage='test')
```

But overall, DataModules encourage reproducibility by allowing all details of a dataset to be specified in a unified structure.



## LOGGING

Lightning supports the most popular logging frameworks (TensorBoard, Comet, etc...). To use a logger, simply pass it into the *Trainer*. Lightning uses TensorBoard by default.

```
from pytorch_lightning import loggers as pl_loggers

tb_logger = pl_loggers.TensorBoardLogger('logs/')
trainer = Trainer(logger=tb_logger)
```

Choose from any of the others such as MLflow, Comet, Neptune, WandB, ...

```
comet_logger = pl_loggers.CometLogger(save_dir='logs/')
trainer = Trainer(logger=comet_logger)
```

To use multiple loggers, simply pass in a list or tuple of loggers ...

```
tb_logger = pl_loggers.TensorBoardLogger('logs/')
comet_logger = pl_loggers.CometLogger(save_dir='logs/')
trainer = Trainer(logger=[tb_logger, comet_logger])
```

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**Note:** By default, lightning logs every 50 steps. Use Trainer flags to *Control logging frequency*.

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**Note:** All loggers log by default to *os.getcwd()*. To change the path without creating a logger set *Trainer(default\_root\_dir='/your/path/to/save/checkpoints')*

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### 12.1 Logging from a LightningModule

Lightning offers automatic log functionalities for logging scalars, or manual logging for anything else.

### 12.1.1 Automatic Logging

Use the `log()` method to log from anywhere in a *lightning module* and *callbacks* except functions with *batch\_start* in their names.

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    self.log('my_metric', x)
```

Depending on where log is called from, Lightning auto-determines the correct logging mode for you. But of course you can override the default behavior by manually setting the `log()` parameters.

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    self.log('my_loss', loss, on_step=True, on_epoch=True, prog_bar=True, logger=True)
```

The `log()` method has a few options:

- *on\_step*: Logs the metric at the current step. Defaults to *True* in `training_step()`, and `training_step_end()`.
- *on\_epoch*: Automatically accumulates and logs at the end of the epoch. Defaults to *True* anywhere in validation or test loops, and in `training_epoch_end()`.
- *prog\_bar*: Logs to the progress bar.
- *logger*: Logs to the logger like Tensorboard, or any other custom logger passed to the *Trainer*.

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**Note:**

- Setting `on_epoch=True` will cache all your logged values during the full training epoch and perform a reduction in `on_train_epoch_end`. We recommend using the *metrics* API when working with custom reduction.
  - Setting both `on_step=True` and `on_epoch=True` will create two keys per metric you log with suffix `_step` and `_epoch`, respectively. You can refer to these keys e.g. in the *monitor* argument of *ModelCheckpoint* or in the graphs plotted to the logger of your choice.
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If your work requires to log in an unsupported function, please open an issue with a clear description of why it is blocking you.

### 12.1.2 Manual logging

If you want to log anything that is not a scalar, like histograms, text, images, etc... you may need to use the logger object directly.

```
def training_step(...):
    ...
    # the logger you used (in this case tensorboard)
    tensorboard = self.logger.experiment
    tensorboard.add_image()
    tensorboard.add_histogram(...)
    tensorboard.add_figure(...)
```



### 12.1.3 Access your logs

Once your training starts, you can view the logs by using your favorite logger or booting up the Tensorboard logs:

```
tensorboard --logdir ./lightning_logs
```

## 12.2 Make a custom logger

You can implement your own logger by writing a class that inherits from `LightningLoggerBase`. Use the `rank_zero_experiment()` and `rank_zero_only()` decorators to make sure that only the first process in DDP training creates the experiment and logs the data respectively.

```
from pytorch_lightning.utilities import rank_zero_only
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import LightningLoggerBase
from pytorch_lightning.loggers.base import rank_zero_experiment

class MyLogger(LightningLoggerBase):

    @property
    def name(self):
        return 'MyLogger'

    @property
    @rank_zero_experiment
    def experiment(self):
        # Return the experiment object associated with this logger.
        pass

    @property
    def version(self):
        # Return the experiment version, int or str.
        return '0.1'

    @rank_zero_only
    def log_hyperparams(self, params):
        # params is an argparse.Namespace
        # your code to record hyperparameters goes here
        pass

    @rank_zero_only
    def log_metrics(self, metrics, step):
        # metrics is a dictionary of metric names and values
        # your code to record metrics goes here
        pass

    @rank_zero_only
    def save(self):
        # Optional. Any code necessary to save logger data goes here
        # If you implement this, remember to call `super().save()`
        # at the start of the method (important for aggregation of metrics)
        super().save()

    @rank_zero_only
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```
def finalize(self, status):  
    # Optional. Any code that needs to be run after training  
    # finishes goes here  
    pass
```

If you write a logger that may be useful to others, please send a pull request to add it to Lightning!

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## 12.3 Control logging frequency

### 12.3.1 Logging frequency

It may slow training down to log every single batch. By default, Lightning logs every 50 rows, or 50 training steps. To change this behaviour, set the `log_every_n_steps` *Trainer* flag.

```
k = 10  
trainer = Trainer(log_every_n_steps=k)
```

### 12.3.2 Log writing frequency

Writing to a logger can be expensive, so by default Lightning write logs to disc or to the given logger every 100 training steps. To change this behaviour, set the interval at which you wish to flush logs to the filesystem using `log_every_n_steps` *Trainer* flag.

```
k = 100  
trainer = Trainer(flush_logs_every_n_steps=k)
```

Unlike the `log_every_n_steps`, this argument does not apply to all loggers. The example shown here works with *TensorBoardLogger*, which is the default logger in Lightning.

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## 12.4 Progress Bar

You can add any metric to the progress bar using `log()` method, setting `prog_bar=True`.

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):  
    self.log('my_loss', loss, prog_bar=True)
```

### 12.4.1 Modifying the progress bar

The progress bar by default already includes the training loss and version number of the experiment if you are using a logger. These defaults can be customized by overriding the `get_progress_bar_dict()` hook in your module.

```
def get_progress_bar_dict(self):  
    # don't show the version number  
    items = super().get_progress_bar_dict()  
    items.pop("v_num", None)  
    return items
```

## 12.5 Configure console logging

Lightning logs useful information about the training process and user warnings to the console. You can retrieve the Lightning logger and change it to your liking. For example, adjust the logging level or redirect output for certain modules to log files:

```
import logging

# configure logging at the root level of lightning
logging.getLogger("pytorch_lightning").setLevel(logging.ERROR)

# configure logging on module level, redirect to file
logger = logging.getLogger("pytorch_lightning.core")
logger.addHandler(logging.FileHandler("core.log"))
```

Read more about custom Python logging [here](#).

## 12.6 Logging hyperparameters

When training a model, it's useful to know what hyperparams went into that model. When Lightning creates a checkpoint, it stores a key "hyper\_parameters" with the hyperparams.

```
lightning_checkpoint = torch.load(filepath, map_location=lambda storage, loc: storage)
hyperparams = lightning_checkpoint['hyper_parameters']
```

Some loggers also allow logging the hyperparams used in the experiment. For instance, when using the TestTubeLogger or the TensorBoardLogger, all hyperparams will show in the [hparams tab](#).

**Note:** If you want to track a metric in the tensorboard hparams tab, log scalars to the key `hp_metric`. If tracking multiple metrics, initialize `TensorBoardLogger` with `default_hp_metric=False` and call `log_hyperparams` only once with your metric keys and initial values. Subsequent updates can simply be logged to the metric keys. Refer to the following for examples on how to setup proper hyperparams metrics tracking within *LightningModule*.

```
# Using default_hp_metric
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    self.log("hp_metric", some_scalar)

# Using custom or multiple metrics (default_hp_metric=False)
def on_train_start(self):
    self.logger.log_hyperparams(self.hparams, {"hp/metric_1": 0, "hp/metric_2": 0})

def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    self.log("hp/metric_1", some_scalar_1)
    self.log("hp/metric_2", some_scalar_2)
```

In the example, using `hp/` as a prefix allows for the metrics to be grouped under "hp" in the tensorboard scalar tab where you can collapse them.

## 12.7 Snapshot code

Loggers also allow you to snapshot a copy of the code used in this experiment. For example, `TestTubeLogger` does this with a flag:

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import TestTubeLogger
logger = TestTubeLogger('.', create_git_tag=True)
```

## 12.8 Supported Loggers

The following are loggers we support

**Note:** The following loggers will normally plot an additional chart (**global\_step VS epoch**).

**Note:** postfix `_step` and `_epoch` will be appended to the name you logged if `on_step` and `on_epoch` are set to `True` in `self.log()`.

**Note:** Depending on the loggers you use, there might be some additional charts.

<i>CometLogger</i>	Log using <a href="#">Comet.ml</a> .
<i>CSVLogger</i>	Log to local file system in yaml and CSV format.
<i>MLFlowLogger</i>	Log using <a href="#">MLflow</a> .
<i>NeptuneLogger</i>	Log using <a href="#">Neptune</a> .
<i>TensorBoardLogger</i>	Log to local file system in <a href="#">TensorBoard</a> format.
<i>TestTubeLogger</i>	Log to local file system in <a href="#">TensorBoard</a> format but using a nicer folder structure (see <a href="#">full docs</a> ).
<i>WandbLogger</i>	Log using <a href="#">Weights and Biases</a> .

### 12.8.1 CometLogger

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.CometLogger (api_key=None,          save_dir=None,
                                             project_name=None,    rest_api_key=None,
                                             experiment_name=None, experiment_key=None,
                                             offline=False,  prefix="",
                                             **kwargs)

Bases: pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase

Log using Comet.ml.

Install it with pip:
```

```
pip install comet-ml
```

Comet requires either an API Key (online mode) or a local directory path (offline mode).

### ONLINE MODE

```
import os
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import CometLogger
# arguments made to CometLogger are passed on to the comet_ml.Experiment class
comet_logger = CometLogger(
    api_key=os.environ.get('COMET_API_KEY'),
    workspace=os.environ.get('COMET_WORKSPACE'), # Optional
    save_dir='.', # Optional
    project_name='default_project', # Optional
    rest_api_key=os.environ.get('COMET_REST_API_KEY'), # Optional
    experiment_key=os.environ.get('COMET_EXPERIMENT_KEY'), # Optional
    experiment_name='default' # Optional
)
trainer = Trainer(logger=comet_logger)
```

### OFFLINE MODE

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import CometLogger
# arguments made to CometLogger are passed on to the comet_ml.Experiment class
comet_logger = CometLogger(
    save_dir='.',
    workspace=os.environ.get('COMET_WORKSPACE'), # Optional
    project_name='default_project', # Optional
    rest_api_key=os.environ.get('COMET_REST_API_KEY'), # Optional
    experiment_name='default' # Optional
)
trainer = Trainer(logger=comet_logger)
```

### Parameters

- **api\_key** (Optional[str]) – Required in online mode. API key, found on Comet.ml. If not given, this will be loaded from the environment variable COMET\_API\_KEY or ~/.comet.config if either exists.
- **save\_dir** (Optional[str]) – Required in offline mode. The path for the directory to save local comet logs. If given, this also sets the directory for saving checkpoints.
- **project\_name** (Optional[str]) – Optional. Send your experiment to a specific project. Otherwise will be sent to Uncategorized Experiments. If the project name does not already exist, Comet.ml will create a new project.
- **rest\_api\_key** (Optional[str]) – Optional. Rest API key found in Comet.ml settings. This is used to determine version number
- **experiment\_name** (Optional[str]) – Optional. String representing the name for this particular experiment on Comet.ml.
- **experiment\_key** (Optional[str]) – Optional. If set, restores from existing experiment.
- **offline** (bool) – If api\_key and save\_dir are both given, this determines whether the experiment will be in online or offline mode. This is useful if you use save\_dir to con-

trol the checkpoints directory and have a `~/comet.config` file but still want to run offline experiments.

- **prefix** `(str)` – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.
- **\*\*kwargs** `(dict)` – Additional arguments like `workspace`, `log_code`, etc. used by `CometExperiment` can be passed as keyword arguments in this logger.

#### Raises

- **ImportError** – If required Comet package is not installed on the device.
- **MisconfigurationException** – If neither `api_key` nor `save_dir` are passed as arguments.

#### **finalize** `(status)`

When calling `self.experiment.end()`, that experiment won't log any more data to Comet. That's why, if you need to log any more data, you need to create an `ExistingCometExperiment`. For example, to log data when testing your model after training, because when training is finalized `CometLogger.finalize()` is called.

This happens automatically in the `experiment()` property, when `self._experiment` is set to `None`, i.e. `self.reset_experiment()`.

**Return type** `None`

#### **log\_graph** `(model, input_array=None)`

Record model graph

##### Parameters

- **model** `(LightningModule)` – lightning model
- **input\_array** `(Any)` – input passes to `model.forward`

**Return type** `None`

#### **log\_hyperparams** `(params)`

Record hyperparameters.

##### Parameters

- **params** `(Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace])` – `Namespace` containing the hyperparameters
- **args** `(List[Any])` – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** `(Dict[str, Any])` – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** `None`

#### **log\_metrics** `(metrics, step=None)`

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific `step`, use the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

##### Parameters

- **metrics** `(Dict[str, Union[Tensor, float]])` – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** `(Optional[int])` – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** `None`

**property experiment**

Actual Comet object. To use Comet features in your *LightningModule* do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_comet_function()
```

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** `str`

**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or *None* if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** `str`

## 12.8.2 CSVLogger

**class** `pytorch_lightning.loggers.CSVLogger` (*save\_dir*, *name*='default', *version*=None, *prefix*='')  
*fix*="")

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase`

Log to local file system in yaml and CSV format.

Logs are saved to `os.path.join(save_dir, name, version)`.

### Example

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.loggers import CSVLogger
>>> logger = CSVLogger("logs", name="my_exp_name")
>>> trainer = Trainer(logger=logger)
```

### Parameters

- **save\_dir** `(str)` – Save directory
- **name** `(Optional[str])` – Experiment name. Defaults to 'default'.
- **version** `(Union[int, str, None])` – Experiment version. If version is not specified the logger inspects the save directory for existing versions, then automatically assigns the next available version.
- **prefix** `(str)` – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.

**finalize** (*status*)

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** **status** `(str)` – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** `None`

**log\_hyperparams** (*params*)

Record hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** `//` (`Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]`) – `Namespace` containing the hyperparameters
- **args** `//` – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** `//` – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** `None`

**log\_metrics** (*metrics*, *step=None*)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific *step*, use the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** `//` (`Dict[str, float]`) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** `//` (`Optional[int]`) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** `None`

**save** ()

Save log data.

**Return type** `None`

**property experiment**

Actual `ExperimentWriter` object. To use `ExperimentWriter` features in your `LightningModule` do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_experiment_writer_function()
```

**Return type** `ExperimentWriter`

**property log\_dir**

The log directory for this run. By default, it is named `'version_${self.version}'` but it can be overridden by passing a string value for the constructor's version parameter instead of `None` or an int.

**Return type** `str`

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** `str`

**property root\_dir**

Parent directory for all checkpoint subdirectories. If the experiment name parameter is `None` or the empty string, no experiment subdirectory is used and the checkpoint will be saved in `"save_dir/version_dir"`

**Return type** `str`

**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or `None` if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`



**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** `int`

### 12.8.3 MLFlowLogger

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.MLFlowLogger (experiment_name='default',          track-
                                             ing_uri=None,          tags=None,
                                             save_dir='./mlruns',    prefix="",    arti-
                                             fact_location=None)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase`

Log using MLflow.

Install it with pip:

```
pip install mlflow
```

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import MLFlowLogger
mlf_logger = MLFlowLogger(
    experiment_name="default",
    tracking_uri="file:./ml-runs"
)
trainer = Trainer(logger=mlf_logger)
```

Use the logger anywhere in your `LightningModule` as follows:

```
from pytorch_lightning import LightningModule
class LitModel(LightningModule):
    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        # example
        self.logger.experiment.whatever_ml_flow_supports(...)

    def any_lightning_module_function_or_hook(self):
        self.logger.experiment.whatever_ml_flow_supports(...)
```

**Parameters**

- **experiment\_name** `(str)` – The name of the experiment
- **tracking\_uri** `(Optional[str])` – Address of local or remote tracking server. If not provided, defaults to `file:<save_dir>`.
- **tags** `(Optional[Dict[str, Any]])` – A dictionary tags for the experiment.
- **save\_dir** `(Optional[str])` – A path to a local directory where the MLflow runs get saved. Defaults to `./mlflow` if `tracking_uri` is not provided. Has no effect if `tracking_uri` is provided.
- **prefix** `(str)` – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.
- **artifact\_location** `(Optional[str])` – The location to store run artifacts. If not provided, the server picks an appropriate default.

**Raises** `ImportError` – If required MLFlow package is not installed on the device.

**finalize** (*status='FINISHED'*)

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** **status** `(str)` – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** `None`

**log\_hyperparams** (*params*)

Record hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** `(Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace])` – `Namespace` containing the hyperparameters
- **args** – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** `None`

**log\_metrics** (*metrics, step=None*)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific *step*, use the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** `(Dict[str, float])` – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** `(Optional[int])` – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** `None`

**property experiment**

Actual MLflow object. To use MLflow features in your `LightningModule` do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_mlflow_function()
```

**Return type** `MlflowClient`

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** `str`

**property save\_dir**

The root file directory in which MLflow experiments are saved.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`

**Returns** Local path to the root experiment directory if the tracking uri is local. Otherwise returns `None`.

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** `str`

## 12.8.4 NeptuneLogger

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.NeptuneLogger (api_key=None,      project_name=None,
                                              close_after_fit=True,      of-
                                              fine_mode=False,      experi-
                                              ment_name=None, experiment_id=None,
                                              prefix="", **kwargs)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase`

Log using Neptune.

Install it with pip:

```
pip install neptune-client
```

The Neptune logger can be used in the online mode or offline (silent) mode. To log experiment data in online mode, `NeptuneLogger` requires an API key. In offline mode, the logger does not connect to Neptune.

### ONLINE MODE

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import NeptuneLogger

# arguments made to NeptuneLogger are passed on to the neptune.experiments.
↳ Experiment class
# We are using an api_key for the anonymous user "neptuner" but you can use your_
↳ own.
neptune_logger = NeptuneLogger(
    api_key='ANONYMOUS',
    project_name='shared/pytorch-lightning-integration',
    experiment_name='default', # Optional,
    params={'max_epochs': 10}, # Optional,
    tags=['pytorch-lightning', 'mlp'] # Optional,
)
trainer = Trainer(max_epochs=10, logger=neptune_logger)
```

### OFFLINE MODE

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import NeptuneLogger

# arguments made to NeptuneLogger are passed on to the neptune.experiments.
↳ Experiment class
neptune_logger = NeptuneLogger(
    offline_mode=True,
    project_name='USER_NAME/PROJECT_NAME',
    experiment_name='default', # Optional,
    params={'max_epochs': 10}, # Optional,
    tags=['pytorch-lightning', 'mlp'] # Optional,
)
trainer = Trainer(max_epochs=10, logger=neptune_logger)
```

Use the logger anywhere in you `LightningModule` as follows:

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):
    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        # log metrics
        self.logger.experiment.log_metric('acc_train', ...)
        # log images
```

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```

self.logger.experiment.log_image('worse_predictions', ...)
# log model checkpoint
self.logger.experiment.log_artifact('model_checkpoint.pt', ...)
self.logger.experiment.whatever_neptune_supports(...)

def any_lightning_module_function_or_hook(self):
    self.logger.experiment.log_metric('acc_train', ...)
    self.logger.experiment.log_image('worse_predictions', ...)
    self.logger.experiment.log_artifact('model_checkpoint.pt', ...)
    self.logger.experiment.whatever_neptune_supports(...)

```

If you want to log objects after the training is finished use `close_after_fit=False`:

```

neptune_logger = NeptuneLogger(
    ...
    close_after_fit=False,
    ...
)
trainer = Trainer(logger=neptune_logger)
trainer.fit()

# Log test metrics
trainer.test(model)

# Log additional metrics
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score

accuracy = accuracy_score(y_true, y_pred)
neptune_logger.experiment.log_metric('test_accuracy', accuracy)

# Log charts
from scikitplot.metrics import plot_confusion_matrix
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(16, 12))
plot_confusion_matrix(y_true, y_pred, ax=ax)
neptune_logger.experiment.log_image('confusion_matrix', fig)

# Save checkpoints folder
neptune_logger.experiment.log_artifact('my/checkpoints')

# When you are done, stop the experiment
neptune_logger.experiment.stop()

```

See also:

- An [Example experiment](#) showing the UI of Neptune.
- [Tutorial](#) on how to use Pytorch Lightning with Neptune.

#### Parameters

- **api\_key** (Optional[str]) – Required in online mode. Neptune API token, found on <https://neptune.ai>. Read how to get your [API key](#). It is recommended to keep it in the `NEPTUNE_API_TOKEN` environment variable and then you can leave `api_key=None`.
- **project\_name** (Optional[str]) – Required in online mode. Qualified name of a project in a form of “namespace/project\_name” for example “tom/minst-classification”. If

None, the value of `NEPTUNE_PROJECT` environment variable will be taken. You need to create the project in <https://neptune.ai> first.

- **offline\_mode** (bool) – Optional default False. If True no logs will be sent to Neptune. Usually used for debug purposes.
- **close\_after\_fit** (Optional[bool]) – Optional default True. If False the experiment will not be closed after training and additional metrics, images or artifacts can be logged. Also, remember to close the experiment explicitly by running `neptune_logger.experiment.stop()`.
- **experiment\_name** (Optional[str]) – Optional. Editable name of the experiment. Name is displayed in the experiment’s Details (Metadata section) and in experiments view as a column.
- **experiment\_id** (Optional[str]) – Optional. Default is None. The ID of the existing experiment. If specified, connect to experiment with `experiment_id` in `project_name`. Input arguments “`experiment_name`”, “`params`”, “`properties`” and “`tags`” will be overridden based on fetched experiment data.
- **prefix** (str) – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Additional arguments like `params`, `tags`, `properties`, etc. used by `neptune.Session.create_experiment()` can be passed as keyword arguments in this logger.

**Raises** `ImportError` – If required Neptune package is not installed on the device.

**append\_tags** (tags)

Appends tags to the neptune experiment.

**Parameters** **tags** (Union[str, Iterable[str]]) – Tags to add to the current experiment. If str is passed, a single tag is added. If multiple - comma separated - str are passed, all of them are added as tags. If list of str is passed, all elements of the list are added as tags.

**Return type** None

**finalize** (status)

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** **status** (str) – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** None

**log\_artifact** (artifact, destination=None)

Save an artifact (file) in Neptune experiment storage.

**Parameters**

- **artifact** (str) – A path to the file in local filesystem.
- **destination** (Optional[str]) – Optional. Default is None. A destination path. If None is passed, an artifact file name will be used.

**Return type** None

**log\_hyperparams** (params)

Record hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** (Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]) – Namespace containing the hyperparameters

- **args** – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** `None`

**log\_image** (*log\_name, image, step=None*)

Log image data in Neptune experiment

**Parameters**

- **log\_name** (`str`) – The name of log, i.e. bboxes, visualisations, sample\_images.
- **image** (`Union[str, Any]`) – The value of the log (data-point). Can be one of the following types: PIL image, *matplotlib.figure.Figure*, path to image file (`str`)
- **step** (`Optional[int]`) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded, must be strictly increasing

**Return type** `None`

**log\_metric** (*metric\_name, metric\_value, step=None*)

Log metrics (numeric values) in Neptune experiments.

**Parameters**

- **metric\_name** (`str`) – The name of log, i.e. mse, loss, accuracy.
- **metric\_value** (`Union[Tensor, float, str]`) – The value of the log (data-point).
- **step** (`Optional[int]`) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded, must be strictly increasing

**Return type** `None`

**log\_metrics** (*metrics, step=None*)

Log metrics (numeric values) in Neptune experiments.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** (`Dict[str, Union[Tensor, float]]`) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** (`Optional[int]`) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded, currently ignored

**Return type** `None`

**log\_text** (*log\_name, text, step=None*)

Log text data in Neptune experiments.

**Parameters**

- **log\_name** (`str`) – The name of log, i.e. mse, my\_text\_data, timing\_info.
- **text** (`str`) – The value of the log (data-point).
- **step** (`Optional[int]`) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded, must be strictly increasing

**Return type** `None`

**set\_property** (*key, value*)

Set key-value pair as Neptune experiment property.

**Parameters**

- **key** (`str`) – Property key.

- **value** (Any) – New value of a property.

**Return type** None

**property experiment**

Actual Neptune object. To use neptune features in your *LightningModule* do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_neptune_function()
```

**Return type** Experiment

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** str

**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or *None* if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** Optional[str]

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** str

## 12.8.5 TensorBoardLogger

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.TensorBoardLogger(save_dir, name='default', version=None, log_graph=False,
default_hp_metric=True, prefix="", **kwargs)
```

Bases: *pytorch\_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase*

Log to local file system in *TensorBoard* format.

Implemented using *SummaryWriter*. Logs are saved to `os.path.join(save_dir, name, version)`. This is the default logger in Lightning, it comes preinstalled.

Example:

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import TensorBoardLogger
logger = TensorBoardLogger("tb_logs", name="my_model")
trainer = Trainer(logger=logger)
```

### Parameters

- **save\_dir** (str) – Save directory
- **name** (Optional[str]) – Experiment name. Defaults to 'default'. If it is the empty string then no per-experiment subdirectory is used.
- **version** (Union[int, str, None]) – Experiment version. If version is not specified the logger inspects the save directory for existing versions, then automatically assigns the next available version. If it is a string then it is used as the run-specific subdirectory name, otherwise 'version\_\${version}' is used.

- **log\_graph** (bool) – Adds the computational graph to tensorboard. This requires that the user has defined the *self.example\_input\_array* attribute in their model.
- **default\_hp\_metric** (bool) – Enables a placeholder metric with key *hp\_metric* when *log\_hyperparams* is called without a metric (otherwise calls to *log\_hyperparams* without a metric are ignored).
- **prefix** (str) – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Additional arguments like *comment*, *filename\_suffix*, etc. used by *SummaryWriter* can be passed as keyword arguments in this logger.

**finalize** (status)

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** **status** (str) – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** None

**log\_graph** (model, input\_array=None)

Record model graph

**Parameters**

- **model** (LightningModule) – lightning model
- **input\_array** – input passes to *model.forward*

**log\_hyperparams** (params, metrics=None)

Record hyperparameters. TensorBoard logs with and without saved hyperparameters are incompatible, the hyperparameters are then not displayed in the TensorBoard. Please delete or move the previously saved logs to display the new ones with hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** (Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]) – a dictionary-like container with the hyperparameters
- **metrics** (Optional[Dict[str, Any]]) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values

**Return type** None

**log\_metrics** (metrics, step=None)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific *step*, use the *agg\_and\_log\_metrics()* method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** (Dict[str, float]) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** (Optional[int]) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** None

**save** ()

Save log data.

**Return type** None

**property experiment**

Actual tensorboard object. To use TensorBoard features in your *LightningModule* do the following.



Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_tensorboard_function()
```

**Return type** `SummaryWriter`

**property log\_dir**

The directory for this run’s tensorboard checkpoint. By default, it is named 'version\_\${self.version}' but it can be overridden by passing a string value for the constructor’s version parameter instead of `None` or an `int`.

**Return type** `str`

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** `str`

**property root\_dir**

Parent directory for all tensorboard checkpoint subdirectories. If the experiment name parameter is `None` or the empty string, no experiment subdirectory is used and the checkpoint will be saved in “save\_dir/version\_dir”

**Return type** `str`

**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or `None` if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** `int`

## 12.8.6 TestTubeLogger

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.TestTubeLogger(save_dir, name='default', descrip-
                                             tion=None, debug=False, ver-
                                             sion=None, create_git_tag=False,
                                             log_graph=False, prefix="")
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase`

Log to local file system in `TensorBoard` format but using a nicer folder structure (see [full docs](#)).

Install it with pip:

```
pip install test_tube
```

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import TestTubeLogger
logger = TestTubeLogger("tt_logs", name="my_exp_name")
trainer = Trainer(logger=logger)
```

Use the logger anywhere in your `LightningModule` as follows:

```

from pytorch_lightning import LightningModule
class LitModel(LightningModule):
    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        # example
        self.logger.experiment.whatever_method_summary_writer_supports(...)

    def any_lightning_module_function_or_hook(self):
        self.logger.experiment.add_histogram(...)

```

### Parameters

- **save\_dir** (str) – Save directory
- **name** (str) – Experiment name. Defaults to 'default'.
- **description** (Optional[str]) – A short snippet about this experiment
- **debug** (bool) – If True, it doesn't log anything.
- **version** (Optional[int]) – Experiment version. If version is not specified the logger inspects the save directory for existing versions, then automatically assigns the next available version.
- **create\_git\_tag** (bool) – If True creates a git tag to save the code used in this experiment.
- **log\_graph** (bool) – Adds the computational graph to tensorboard. This requires that the user has defined the *self.example\_input\_array* attribute in their model.
- **prefix** (str) – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.

**Raises** **ImportError** – If required TestTube package is not installed on the device.

**close()**

Do any cleanup that is necessary to close an experiment.

**Return type** `None`

**finalize(status)**

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** **status** (str) – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** `None`

**log\_graph(model, input\_array=None)**

Record model graph

### Parameters

- **model** (LightningModule) – lightning model
- **input\_array** – input passes to *model.forward*

**log\_hyperparams(params)**

Record hyperparameters.

### Parameters

- **params** (Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]) – Namespace containing the hyperparameters
- **args** – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

- **kwargs** – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** `None`

**log\_metrics** (*metrics*, *step=None*)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific *step*, use the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** (`Dict[str, float]`) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** (`Optional[int]`) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** `None`

**save** ()

Save log data.

**Return type** `None`

**property experiment**

Actual TestTube object. To use TestTube features in your `LightningModule` do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_test_tube_function()
```

**Return type** `Experiment`

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** `str`

**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or `None` if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** `int`

## 12.8.7 WandbLogger

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.WandbLogger (name=None, save_dir=None, offline=False,
                                             id=None, anonymous=None, version=None,
                                             project=None, log_model=False, exper-
                                             iment=None, prefix="", sync_step=None,
                                             **kwargs)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase`

Log using Weights and Biases.

Install it with pip:

```
pip install wandb
```

### Parameters

- **name** (Optional[str]) – Display name for the run.
- **save\_dir** (Optional[str]) – Path where data is saved (wandb dir by default).
- **offline** (Optional[bool]) – Run offline (data can be streamed later to wandb servers).
- **id** (Optional[str]) – Sets the version, mainly used to resume a previous run.
- **version** (Optional[str]) – Same as id.
- **anonymous** (Optional[bool]) – Enables or explicitly disables anonymous logging.
- **project** (Optional[str]) – The name of the project to which this run will belong.
- **log\_model** (Optional[bool]) – Save checkpoints in wandb dir to upload on W&B servers.
- **prefix** (Optional[str]) – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.
- **experiment** – WandB experiment object. Automatically set when creating a run.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Arguments passed to `wandb.init()` like *entity*, *group*, *tags*, etc.

### Raises

- **ImportError** – If required WandB package is not installed on the device.
- **MisconfigurationException** – If both `log_model` and `offline` is set to `True`.

Example:

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import WandbLogger
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
wandb_logger = WandbLogger()
trainer = Trainer(logger=wandb_logger)
```

Note: When logging manually through `wandb.log` or `trainer.logger.experiment.log`, make sure to use `commit=False` so the logging step does not increase.

See also:

- [Tutorial](#) on how to use W&B with PyTorch Lightning
- [W&B Documentation](#)

**finalize** (*status*)

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** **status** (str) – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** None

**log\_hyperparams** (*params*)

Record hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** (Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]) – Namespace containing the hyperparameters

- **args** – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** `None`

**log\_metrics** (*metrics*, *step=None*)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific *step*, use the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** (`Dict[str, float]`) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** (`Optional[int]`) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** `None`

**property experiment**

Actual wandb object. To use wandb features in your `LightningModule` do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_wandb_function()
```

**Return type** `Run`

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`

**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or `None` if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`



## METRICS

`pytorch_lightning.metrics` has been moved to a separate package [TorchMetrics](#). We will preserve compatibility for the next few releases, nevertheless, we encourage users to update to use this stand-alone package.

**Warning:** `pytorch_lightning.metrics` is deprecated from v1.3 and will be removed in v1.5.





## PLUGINS

Plugins allow custom integrations to the internals of the Trainer such as a custom precision or distributed implementation.

Under the hood, the Lightning Trainer is using plugins in the training routine, added automatically depending on the provided Trainer arguments. For example:

```
# accelerator: GPUAccelerator
# training type: DDPPlugin
# precision: NativeMixedPrecisionPlugin
trainer = Trainer(gpus=4, precision=16)
```

We expose Accelerators and Plugins mainly for expert users that want to extend Lightning for:

- New hardware (like TPU plugin)
- Distributed backends (e.g. a backend not yet supported by [PyTorch](#) itself)
- Clusters (e.g. customized access to the cluster's environment interface)

There are two types of Plugins in Lightning with different responsibilities:

### 14.1 TrainingTypePlugin

- Launching and teardown of training processes (if applicable)
- Setup communication between processes (NCCL, GLOO, MPI, ...)
- Provide a unified communication interface for reduction, broadcast, etc.
- Provide access to the wrapped LightningModule

### 14.2 PrecisionPlugin

- Perform pre- and post backward/optimizer step operations such as scaling gradients
- Provide context managers for forward, training\_step, etc.
- Gradient clipping

Futhermore, for multi-node training Lightning provides cluster environment plugins that allow the advanced user to configure Lightning to integrate with a [3. Custom cluster](#).

### 14.2.1 Create a custom plugin

Expert users may choose to extend an existing plugin by overriding its methods ...

```
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DDPPlugin

class CustomDDPPlugin(DDPPlugin):

    def configure_ddp(self):
        self._model = MyCustomDistributedDataParallel(
            self.model,
            device_ids=...,
        )
```

or by subclassing the base classes *TrainingTypePlugin* or *PrecisionPlugin* to create new ones. These custom plugins can then be passed into the Trainer directly or via a (custom) accelerator:

```
# custom plugins
trainer = Trainer(plugins=[CustomDDPPlugin(), CustomPrecisionPlugin()])

# fully custom accelerator and plugins
accelerator = MyAccelerator(
    precision_plugin=CustomPrecisionPlugin(),
    training_type_plugin=CustomDDPPlugin(),
)
trainer = Trainer(accelerator=accelerator)
```

The full list of built-in plugins is listed below.

**Warning:** The Plugin API is in beta and subject to change. For help setting up custom plugins/accelerators, please reach out to us at [support@pytorchlightning.ai](mailto:support@pytorchlightning.ai)

## 14.3 Training Type Plugins

<i>TrainingTypePlugin</i>	Base class for all training type plugins that change the behaviour of the training, validation and test-loop.
<i>SingleDevicePlugin</i>	Plugin that handles communication on a single device.
<i>ParallelPlugin</i>	Plugin for training with multiple processes in parallel.
<i>DataParallelPlugin</i>	Implements data-parallel training in a single process, i.e., the model gets replicated to each device and each gets a split of the data.
<i>DDPPlugin</i>	Plugin for multi-process single-device training on one or multiple nodes.
<i>DDP2Plugin</i>	DDP2 behaves like DP in one node, but synchronization across nodes behaves like in DDP.
<i>DDPShardedPlugin</i>	Optimizer and gradient sharded training provided by FairScale.
<i>DDPSpawnShardedPlugin</i>	Optimizer sharded training provided by FairScale.

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<i>DDPSpawnPlugin</i>	Spawns processes using the <code>torch.multiprocessing.spawn()</code> method and joins processes after training finishes.
<i>DeepSpeedPlugin</i>	Provides capabilities to run training using the DeepSpeed library, with training optimizations for large billion parameter models.
<i>HorovodPlugin</i>	Plugin for Horovod distributed training integration.
<i>RPCPlugin</i>	Backbone for RPC Plugins built on top of DDP.
<i>RPCSequentialPlugin</i>	Provides sequential model parallelism for <code>nn.Sequential</code> module.
<i>SingleTPUPlugin</i>	Plugin for training on a single TPU device.
<i>TPUSpawnPlugin</i>	Plugin for training multiple TPU devices using the <code>torch.multiprocessing.spawn()</code> method.

## 14.4 Precision Plugins

<i>PrecisionPlugin</i>	Base class for all plugins handling the precision-specific parts of the training.
<i>NativeMixedPrecisionPlugin</i>	Plugin for native mixed precision training with <code>torch.cuda.amp</code> .
<i>ShardedNativeMixedPrecisionPlugin</i>	Mixed Precision for Sharded Training
<i>ApexMixedPrecisionPlugin</i>	Mixed Precision Plugin based on Nvidia/Apex ( <a href="https://github.com/NVIDIA/apex">https://github.com/NVIDIA/apex</a> )
<i>DeepSpeedPrecisionPlugin</i>	Precision plugin for DeepSpeed integration.
<i>TPUHalfPrecisionPlugin</i>	Plugin that enables bfloats on TPUs
<i>DoublePrecisionPlugin</i>	Plugin for training with double ( <code>torch.float64</code> ) precision.

## 14.5 Cluster Environments

<i>ClusterEnvironment</i>	Specification of a cluster environment.
<i>LightningEnvironment</i>	The default environment used by Lightning for a single node or free cluster (not managed).
<i>TorchElasticEnvironment</i>	Environment for fault-tolerant and elastic training with <code>torchelastic</code>
<i>SLURMEnvironment</i>	Cluster environment for training on a cluster managed by SLURM.



## STEP-BY-STEP WALK-THROUGH

This guide will walk you through the core pieces of PyTorch Lightning.

We'll accomplish the following:

- Implement an MNIST classifier.
- Use inheritance to implement an AutoEncoder

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**Note:** Any DL/ML PyTorch project fits into the Lightning structure. Here we just focus on 3 types of research to illustrate.

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## 15.1 From MNIST to AutoEncoders

### 15.1.1 Installing Lightning

Lightning is trivial to install. We recommend using conda environments

```
conda activate my_env
pip install pytorch-lightning
```

Or without conda environments, use pip.

```
pip install pytorch-lightning
```

Or conda.

```
conda install pytorch-lightning -c conda-forge
```

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## 15.1.2 The research

### The Model

The *lightning module* holds all the core research ingredients:

- The model
- The optimizers
- The train/ val/ test steps

Let's first start with the model. In this case, we'll design a 3-layer neural network.

```
import torch
from torch.nn import functional as F
from torch import nn
from pytorch_lightning.core.lightning import LightningModule

class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()

        # mnist images are (1, 28, 28) (channels, width, height)
        self.layer_1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, 128)
        self.layer_2 = nn.Linear(128, 256)
        self.layer_3 = nn.Linear(256, 10)

    def forward(self, x):
        batch_size, channels, width, height = x.size()

        # (b, 1, 28, 28) -> (b, 1*28*28)
        x = x.view(batch_size, -1)
        x = self.layer_1(x)
        x = F.relu(x)
        x = self.layer_2(x)
        x = F.relu(x)
        x = self.layer_3(x)

        x = F.log_softmax(x, dim=1)
        return x
```

Notice this is a *lightning module* instead of a `torch.nn.Module`. A `LightningModule` is equivalent to a pure PyTorch Module except it has added functionality. However, you can use it **EXACTLY** the same as you would a PyTorch Module.

```
net = LitMNIST()
x = torch.randn(1, 1, 28, 28)
out = net(x)
```

Out:

```
torch.Size([1, 10])
```

Now we add the `training_step` which has all our training loop logic

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):
```

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```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch
    logits = self(x)
    loss = F.nll_loss(logits, y)
    return loss
```

## Data

Lightning operates on pure dataloaders. Here's the PyTorch code for loading MNIST.

```
from torch.utils.data import DataLoader, random_split
from torchvision.datasets import MNIST
import os
from torchvision import datasets, transforms

# transforms
# prepare transforms standard to MNIST
transform=transforms.Compose([transforms.ToTensor(),
                             transforms.Normalize((0.1307,), (0.3081,))])

# data
mnist_train = MNIST(os.getcwd(), train=True, download=True, transform=transform)
mnist_train = DataLoader(mnist_train, batch_size=64)
```

You can use DataLoaders in 3 ways:

### 1. Pass DataLoaders to .fit()

Pass in the dataloaders to the `.fit()` function.

```
model = LitMNIST()
trainer = Trainer()
trainer.fit(model, mnist_train)
```

### 2. LightningModule DataLoaders

For fast research prototyping, it might be easier to link the model with the dataloaders.

```
class LitMNIST(pl.LightningModule):

    def train_dataloader(self):
        # transforms
        # prepare transforms standard to MNIST
        transform=transforms.Compose([transforms.ToTensor(),
                                     transforms.Normalize((0.1307,), (0.3081,))])

        # data
        mnist_train = MNIST(os.getcwd(), train=True, download=True,
                             transform=transform)
        return DataLoader(mnist_train, batch_size=64)

    def val_dataloader(self):
        transforms = ...
```

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```

mnist_val = ...
return DataLoader(mnist_val, batch_size=64)

def test_dataloader(self):
    transforms = ...
    mnist_test = ...
    return DataLoader(mnist_test, batch_size=64)

```

DataLoaders are already in the model, no need to specify on `.fit()`.

```

model = LitMNIST()
trainer = Trainer()
trainer.fit(model)

```

### 3. DataModules (recommended)

Defining free-floating dataloaders, splits, download instructions, and such can get messy. In this case, it's better to group the full definition of a dataset into a *DataModule* which includes:

- Download instructions
- Processing instructions
- Split instructions
- Train dataloader
- Val dataloader(s)
- Test dataloader(s)

```

class MyDataModule(LightningDataModule):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.train_dims = None
        self.vocab_size = 0

    def prepare_data(self):
        # called only on 1 GPU
        download_dataset()
        tokenize()
        build_vocab()

    def setup(self, stage: Optional[str] = None):
        # called on every GPU
        vocab = load_vocab()
        self.vocab_size = len(vocab)

        self.train, self.val, self.test = load_datasets()
        self.train_dims = self.train.next_batch.size()

    def train_dataloader(self):
        transforms = ...
        return DataLoader(self.train, batch_size=64)

    def val_dataloader(self):

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```

transforms = ...
return DataLoader(self.val, batch_size=64)

def test_dataloader(self):
    transforms = ...
    return DataLoader(self.test, batch_size=64)

```

Using DataModules allows easier sharing of full dataset definitions.

```

# use an MNIST dataset
mnist_dm = MNISTDataModule()
model = LitModel(num_classes=mnist_dm.num_classes)
trainer.fit(model, mnist_dm)

# or other datasets with the same model
imagenet_dm = ImagenetDataModule()
model = LitModel(num_classes=imagenet_dm.num_classes)
trainer.fit(model, imagenet_dm)

```

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**Note:** `prepare_data()` is called on only one GPU in distributed training (automatically)

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**Note:** `setup()` is called on every GPU (automatically)

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## Models defined by data

When your models need to know about the data, it's best to process the data before passing it to the model.

```

# init dm AND call the processing manually
dm = ImagenetDataModule()
dm.prepare_data()
dm.setup()

model = LitModel(out_features=dm.num_classes, img_width=dm.img_width, img_height=dm.
    ↪img_height)
trainer.fit(model, dm)

```

1. use `prepare_data()` to download and process the dataset.
2. use `setup()` to do splits, and build your model internals

An alternative to using a DataModule is to defer initialization of the models modules to the `setup` method of your LightningModule as follows:

```

class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self):
        self.ll = None

    def prepare_data(self):
        download_data()
        tokenize()

```

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```
def setup(self, stage: Optional[str] = None):
    # step is either 'fit', 'validate', 'test', or 'predict'. 90% of the time not
    ↪relevant
    data = load_data()
    num_classes = data.classes
    self.l1 = nn.Linear(..., num_classes)
```

## Optimizer

Next we choose what optimizer to use for training our system. In PyTorch we do it as follows:

```
from torch.optim import Adam
optimizer = Adam(LitMNIST().parameters(), lr=1e-3)
```

In Lightning we do the same but organize it under the `configure_optimizers()` method.

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def configure_optimizers(self):
        return Adam(self.parameters(), lr=1e-3)
```

**Note:** The LightningModule itself has the parameters, so pass in `self.parameters()`

However, if you have multiple optimizers use the matching parameters

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def configure_optimizers(self):
        return Adam(self.generator(), lr=1e-3), Adam(self.discriminator(), lr=1e-3)
```

## Training step

The training step is what happens inside the training loop.

```
for epoch in epochs:
    for batch in data:
        # TRAINING STEP
        # ....
        # TRAINING STEP
        optimizer.zero_grad()
        loss.backward()
        optimizer.step()
```

In the case of MNIST, we do the following

```
for epoch in epochs:
    for batch in data:
        # ----- TRAINING STEP START -----
        x, y = batch
        logits = model(x)
        loss = F.nll_loss(logits, y)
        # ----- TRAINING STEP END -----
```

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```
optimizer.zero_grad()
loss.backward()
optimizer.step()
```

In Lightning, everything that is in the training step gets organized under the `training_step()` function in the `LightningModule`.

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, y = batch
        logits = self(x)
        loss = F.nll_loss(logits, y)
        return loss
```

Again, this is the same PyTorch code except that it has been organized by the `LightningModule`. This code is not restricted which means it can be as complicated as a full seq-2-seq, RL loop, GAN, etc...

### 15.1.3 The engineering

#### Training

So far we defined 4 key ingredients in pure PyTorch but organized the code with the `LightningModule`.

1. Model.
2. Training data.
3. Optimizer.
4. What happens in the training loop.

For clarity, we'll recall that the full `LightningModule` now looks like this.

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.layer_1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, 128)
        self.layer_2 = nn.Linear(128, 256)
        self.layer_3 = nn.Linear(256, 10)

    def forward(self, x):
        batch_size, channels, width, height = x.size()
        x = x.view(batch_size, -1)
        x = self.layer_1(x)
        x = F.relu(x)
        x = self.layer_2(x)
        x = F.relu(x)
        x = self.layer_3(x)
```

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```
x = F.log_softmax(x, dim=1)
return x

def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch
    logits = self(x)
    loss = F.nll_loss(logits, y)
    return loss
```

Again, this is the same PyTorch code, except that it's organized by the `LightningModule`.

## Logging

To log to Tensorboard, your favorite logger, and/or the progress bar, use the `log()` method which can be called from any method in the `LightningModule`.

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    self.log('my_metric', x)
```

The `log()` method has a few options:

- `on_step` (logs the metric at that step in training)
- `on_epoch` (automatically accumulates and logs at the end of the epoch)
- `prog_bar` (logs to the progress bar)
- `logger` (logs to the logger like Tensorboard)

Depending on where the log is called from, Lightning auto-determines the correct mode for you. But of course you can override the default behavior by manually setting the flags.

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**Note:** Setting `on_epoch=True` will accumulate your logged values over the full training epoch.

---

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    self.log('my_loss', loss, on_step=True, on_epoch=True, prog_bar=True, logger=True)
```

You can also use any method of your logger directly:

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    tensorboard = self.logger.experiment
    tensorboard.add_summary_writer_method_you_want()
```

Once your training starts, you can view the logs by using your favorite logger or booting up the Tensorboard logs:

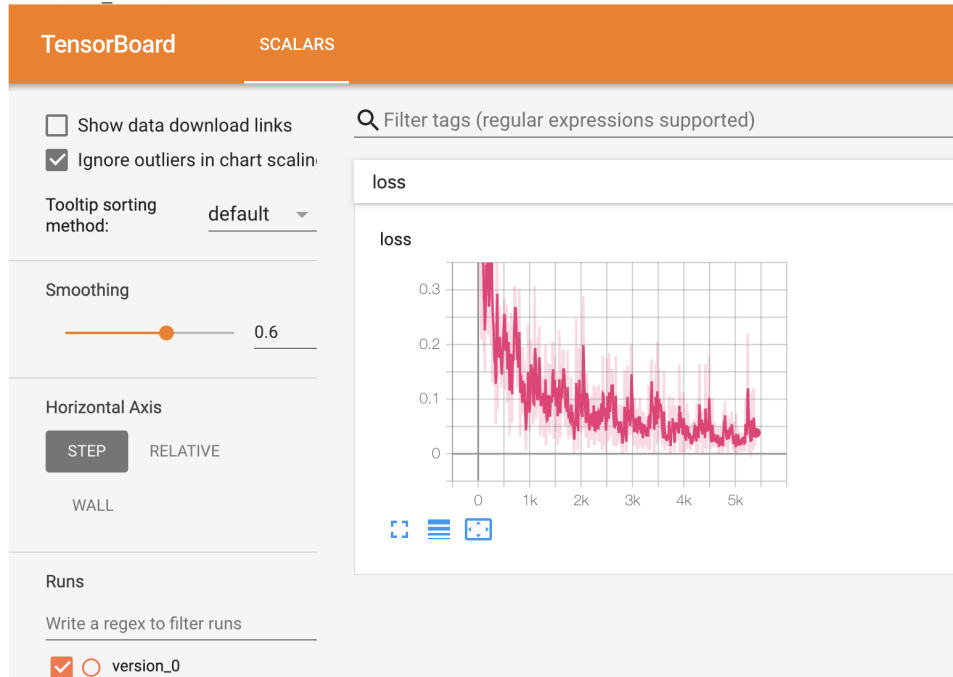
```
tensorboard --logdir ./lightning_logs
```

Which will generate automatic tensorboard logs (or with the logger of your choice).

But you can also use any of the *number of other loggers* we support.

```
[31] # Start tensorboard.
      %load_ext tensorboard
      %tensorboard --logdir lightning_logs/
```

↗ The tensorboard extension is already loaded. To reload it, use:  
 %reload\_ext tensorboard



## Train on CPU

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer

model = LitMNIST()
trainer = Trainer()
trainer.fit(model, train_loader)
```

You should see the following weights summary and progress bar

	Name	Type	Params
0	layer_1	Linear	100 K
1	layer_2	Linear	33 K
2	layer_3	Linear	2 K

Epoch 1: 27%  250/938 [00:08<00:22, 30.10it/s, loss=0.353, v\_num=2]

## Train on GPU

But the beauty is all the magic you can do with the trainer flags. For instance, to run this model on a GPU:

```
model = LitMNIST()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=1)
trainer.fit(model, train_loader)
```

```
INFO:root:GPU available: True, used: True
INFO:root:VISIBLE GPUS: 0
INFO:root:
| Name      | Type   | Params
-----
0 | layer_1   | Linear | 100 K
1 | layer_2   | Linear | 33 K
2 | layer_3   | Linear | 2 K
Epoch 1: 53%  500/938 [00:07<00:07, 61.53it/s, loss=0.206, v_num=3]
```

## Train on Multi-GPU

Or you can also train on multiple GPUs.

```
model = LitMNIST()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=8)
trainer.fit(model, train_loader)
```

Or multiple nodes

```
# (32 GPUs)
model = LitMNIST()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=8, num_nodes=4, accelerator='ddp')
trainer.fit(model, train_loader)
```

Refer to the *[distributed computing guide for more details](#)*.

## Train on TPUs

Did you know you can use PyTorch on TPUs? It's very hard to do, but we've worked with the xla team to use their awesome library to get this to work out of the box!

Let's train on Colab ([full demo available here](#))

First, change the runtime to TPU (and reinstall lightning).

Next, install the required xla library (adds support for PyTorch on TPUs)

```
!pip install cloud-tpu-client==0.10 https://storage.googleapis.com/tpu-pytorch/wheels/
↪torch_xla-1.8-cp37-cp37m-linux_x86_64.whl
```

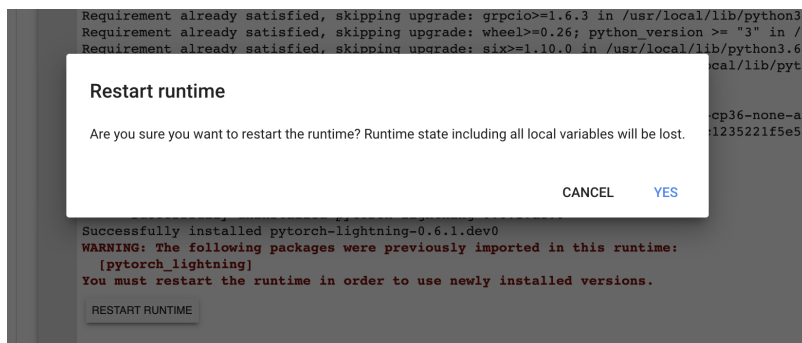
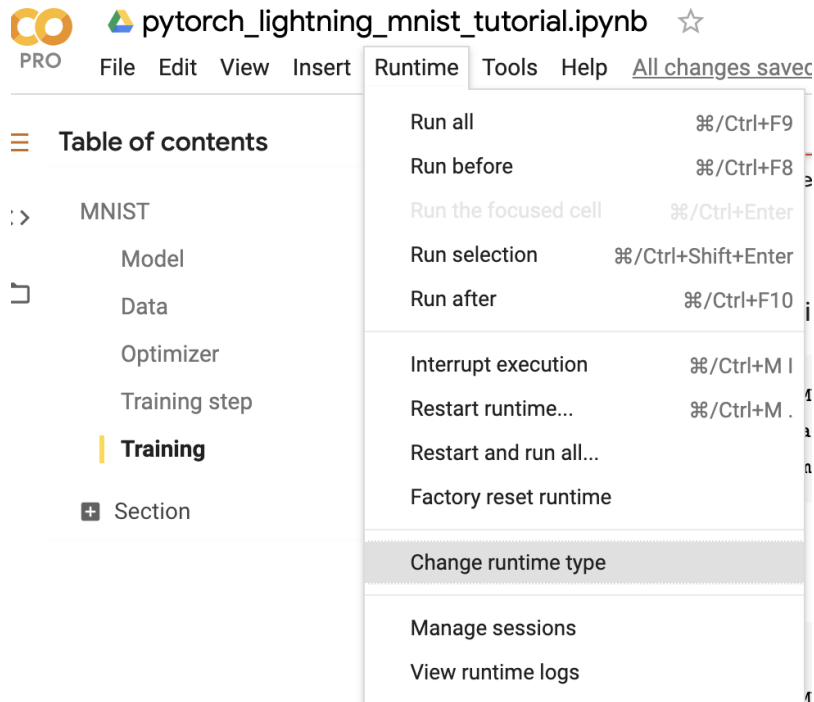
In distributed training (multiple GPUs and multiple TPU cores) each GPU or TPU core will run a copy of this program. This means that without taking any care you will download the dataset N times which will cause all sorts of issues.

To solve this problem, make sure your download code is in the `prepare_data` method in the `DataModule`. In this method we do all the preparation we need to do once (instead of on every GPU).

`prepare_data` can be called in two ways, once per node or only on the root node (`Trainer(prepare_data_per_node=False)`).

```
class MNISTDataModule(LightningDataModule):
    def __init__(self, batch_size=64):
        super().__init__()
        self.batch_size = batch_size
```

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```

def prepare_data(self):
    # download only
    MNIST(os.getcwd(), train=True, download=True, transform=transforms.ToTensor())
    MNIST(os.getcwd(), train=False, download=True, transform=transforms.
↪ToTensor())

def setup(self, stage: Optional[str] = None):
    # transform
    transform=transforms.Compose([transforms.ToTensor()])
    mnist_train = MNIST(os.getcwd(), train=True, download=False, ↪
↪transform=transform)
    mnist_test = MNIST(os.getcwd(), train=False, download=False, ↪
↪transform=transform)

    # train/val split
    mnist_train, mnist_val = random_split(mnist_train, [55000, 5000])

    # assign to use in dataloaders
    self.train_dataset = mnist_train
    self.val_dataset = mnist_val
    self.test_dataset = mnist_test

def train_dataloader(self):
    return DataLoader(self.train_dataset, batch_size=self.batch_size)

def val_dataloader(self):
    return DataLoader(self.val_dataset, batch_size=self.batch_size)

def test_dataloader(self):
    return DataLoader(self.test_dataset, batch_size=self.batch_size)

```

The `prepare_data` method is also a good place to do any data processing that needs to be done only once (ie: download or tokenize, etc...).

---

**Note:** Lightning inserts the correct `DistributedSampler` for distributed training. No need to add yourself!

---

Now we can train the `LightningModule` on a TPU without doing anything else!

```

dm = MNISTDataModule()
model = LitMNIST()
trainer = Trainer(tpu_cores=8)
trainer.fit(model, dm)

```

You'll now see the TPU cores booting up.

```

INFO:root:training on 8 TPU cores
INFO:root:INIT TPU local core: 0, global rank: 0
INFO:root:INIT TPU local core: 3, global rank: 3
INFO:root:INIT TPU local core: 1, global rank: 1

```

Notice the epoch is MUCH faster!



```
INFO:root:
| Name | Type | Params
-----
0 | layer_1 | Linear | 100 K
1 | layer_2 | Linear | 33 K
2 | layer_3 | Linear | 2 K
Using downloaded and verified file: /content/MNIST/raw/train-images-idx3-ubyte.gz
Extracting /content/MNIST/raw/train-images-idx3-ubyte.gz to /content/MNIST/raw
Using downloaded and verified file: /content/MNIST/raw/train-labels-idx1-ubyte.gz
Extracting /content/MNIST/raw/train-labels-idx1-ubyte.gz to /content/MNIST/raw
Using downloaded and verified file: /content/MNIST/raw/t10k-images-idx3-ubyte.gz
Extracting /content/MNIST/raw/t10k-images-idx3-ubyte.gz to /content/MNIST/raw
Using downloaded and verified file: /content/MNIST/raw/t10k-labels-idx1-ubyte.gz
Extracting /content/MNIST/raw/t10k-labels-idx1-ubyte.gz to /content/MNIST/raw
Processing...
Done!
Epoch 6: 42%  50/118 [00:00<00:01, 62.22it/s, loss=0.067, v_num=10]
```

## Hyperparameters

Lightning has utilities to interact seamlessly with the command line `ArgumentParser` and plays well with the hyperparameter optimization framework of your choice.

## ArgumentParser

Lightning is designed to augment a lot of the functionality of the built-in Python `ArgumentParser`

```
from argparse import ArgumentParser
parser = ArgumentParser()
parser.add_argument('--layer_1_dim', type=int, default=128)
args = parser.parse_args()
```

This allows you to call your program like so:

```
python trainer.py --layer_1_dim 64
```

## Argparser Best Practices

It is best practice to layer your arguments in three sections.

1. Trainer args (gpus, num\_nodes, etc...)
2. Model specific arguments (layer\_dim, num\_layers, learning\_rate, etc...)
3. Program arguments (data\_path, cluster\_email, etc...)

We can do this as follows. First, in your `LightningModule`, define the arguments specific to that module. Remember that data splits or data paths may also be specific to a module (i.e.: if your project has a model that trains on Imagenet and another on CIFAR-10).

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):

    @staticmethod
    def add_model_specific_args(parent_parser):
        parser = parent_parser.add_argument_group("LitModel")
        parser.add_argument('--encoder_layers', type=int, default=12)
        parser.add_argument('--data_path', type=str, default='/some/path')
        return parent_parser
```

Now in your main trainer file, add the Trainer args, the program args, and add the model args

```
# -----
# trainer_main.py
# -----
from argparse import ArgumentParser
parser = ArgumentParser()

# add PROGRAM level args
parser.add_argument('--conda_env', type=str, default='some_name')
parser.add_argument('--notification_email', type=str, default='will@email.com')

# add model specific args
parser = LitModel.add_model_specific_args(parser)

# add all the available trainer options to argparse
# ie: now --gpus --num_nodes ... --fast_dev_run all work in the cli
parser = Trainer.add_argparse_args(parser)

args = parser.parse_args()
```

Now you can call run your program like so:

```
python trainer_main.py --gpus 2 --num_nodes 2 --conda_env 'my_env' --encoder_layers 12
```

Finally, make sure to start the training like so:

```
# init the trainer like this
trainer = Trainer.from_argparse_args(args, early_stopping_callback=...)

# NOT like this
trainer = Trainer(gpus=hparams.gpus, ...)

# init the model with Namespace directly
model = LitModel(args)

# or init the model with all the key-value pairs
dict_args = vars(args)
model = LitModel(**dict_args)
```

## LightningModule hyperparameters

Often times we train many versions of a model. You might share that model or come back to it a few months later at which point it is very useful to know how that model was trained (i.e.: what learning rate, neural network, etc...).

Lightning has a few ways of saving that information for you in checkpoints and yaml files. The goal here is to improve readability and reproducibility.

1. The first way is to ask lightning to save the values of anything in the `__init__` for you to the checkpoint. This also makes those values available via `self.hparams`.

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, layer_1_dim=128, learning_rate=1e-2, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        # call this to save (layer_1_dim=128, learning_rate=1e-4) to the_
        ↪checkpoint
        self.save_hyperparameters()

        # equivalent
        self.save_hyperparameters('layer_1_dim', 'learning_rate')

        # Now possible to access layer_1_dim from hparams
        self.hparams.layer_1_dim
```

2. Sometimes your init might have objects or other parameters you might not want to save. In that case, choose only a few

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, loss_fx, generator_network, layer_1_dim=128 **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        self.layer_1_dim = layer_1_dim
        self.loss_fx = loss_fx

        # call this to save (layer_1_dim=128) to the checkpoint
        self.save_hyperparameters('layer_1_dim')

    # to load specify the other args
    model = LitMNIST.load_from_checkpoint(PATH, loss_fx=torch.nn.SomeOtherLoss,
    ↪generator_network=MyGenerator())
```

3. Assign to `self.hparams`. Anything assigned to `self.hparams` will also be saved automatically.

```
# using a argparse.Namespace
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self, hparams, *args, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        self.hparams = hparams
        self.layer_1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, self.hparams.layer_1_dim)
        self.layer_2 = nn.Linear(self.hparams.layer_1_dim, self.hparams.layer_2_
        ↪dim)
        self.layer_3 = nn.Linear(self.hparams.layer_2_dim, 10)
    def train_dataloader(self):
        return DataLoader(mnist_train, batch_size=self.hparams.batch_size)
```

4. You can also save full objects such as *dict* or *Namespace* to the checkpoint.

```
# using a argparse.Namespace
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, conf, *args, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        self.save_hyperparameters(conf)

        self.layer_1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, self.hparams.layer_1_dim)
        self.layer_2 = nn.Linear(self.hparams.layer_1_dim, self.hparams.layer_2_
→dim)
        self.layer_3 = nn.Linear(self.hparams.layer_2_dim, 10)

conf = OmegaConf.create(...)
model = LitMNIST(conf)

# Now possible to access any stored variables from hparams
model.hparams.anything
```

---

## Trainer args

To recap, add ALL possible trainer flags to the argparse and init the Trainer this way

```
parser = ArgumentParser()
parser = Trainer.add_argparse_args(parser)
hparams = parser.parse_args()

trainer = Trainer.from_argparse_args(hparams)

# or if you need to pass in callbacks
trainer = Trainer.from_argparse_args(hparams, checkpoint_callback=..., callbacks=[...
→])
```

---

## Multiple Lightning Modules

We often have multiple Lightning Modules where each one has different arguments. Instead of polluting the `main.py` file, the `LightningModule` lets you define arguments for each one.

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, layer_1_dim, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        self.layer_1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, layer_1_dim)

    @staticmethod
    def add_model_specific_args(parent_parser):
        parser = parent_parser.add_argument_group("LitMNIST")
        parser.add_argument('--layer_1_dim', type=int, default=128)
        return parent_parser
```

---

```

class GoodGAN(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, encoder_layers, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        self.encoder = Encoder(layers=encoder_layers)

    @staticmethod
    def add_model_specific_args(parent_parser):
        parser = parent_parser.add_argument_group("GoodGAN")
        parser.add_argument('--encoder_layers', type=int, default=12)
        return parent_parser

```

Now we can allow each model to inject the arguments it needs in the main.py

```

def main(args):
    dict_args = vars(args)

    # pick model
    if args.model_name == 'gan':
        model = GoodGAN(**dict_args)
    elif args.model_name == 'mnist':
        model = LitMNIST(**dict_args)

    trainer = Trainer.from_argparse_args(args)
    trainer.fit(model)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    parser = ArgumentParser()
    parser = Trainer.add_argparse_args(parser)

    # figure out which model to use
    parser.add_argument('--model_name', type=str, default='gan', help='gan or mnist')

    # THIS LINE IS KEY TO PULL THE MODEL NAME
    temp_args, _ = parser.parse_known_args()

    # let the model add what it wants
    if temp_args.model_name == 'gan':
        parser = GoodGAN.add_model_specific_args(parser)
    elif temp_args.model_name == 'mnist':
        parser = LitMNIST.add_model_specific_args(parser)

    args = parser.parse_args()

    # train
    main(args)

```

and now we can train MNIST or the GAN using the command line interface!

```

$ python main.py --model_name gan --encoder_layers 24
$ python main.py --model_name mnist --layer_1_dim 128

```

## Validating

For most cases, we stop training the model when the performance on a validation split of the data reaches a minimum.

Just like the `training_step`, we can define a `validation_step` to check whatever metrics we care about, generate samples, or add more to our logs.

```
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    loss = MSE_loss(...)
    self.log('val_loss', loss)
```

Now we can train with a validation loop as well.

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer

model = LitMNIST()
trainer = Trainer(tpu_cores=8)
trainer.fit(model, train_loader, val_loader)
```

You may have noticed the words **Validation sanity check** logged. This is because Lightning runs 2 batches of validation before starting to train. This is a kind of unit test to make sure that if you have a bug in the validation loop, you won't need to potentially wait for a full epoch to find out.

---

**Note:** Lightning disables gradients, puts model in eval mode, and does everything needed for validation.

---

## Val loop under the hood

Under the hood, Lightning does the following:

```
model = Model()
model.train()
torch.set_grad_enabled(True)

for epoch in epochs:
    for batch in data:
        # ...
        # train

    # validate
    model.eval()
    torch.set_grad_enabled(False)

    outputs = []
    for batch in val_data:
        x, y = batch                # validation_step
        y_hat = model(x)            # validation_step
        loss = loss(y_hat, x)        # validation_step
        outputs.append({'val_loss': loss})  # validation_step

    total_loss = outputs.mean()      # validation_epoch_end
```

## Optional methods

If you still need even more fine-grain control, define the other optional methods for the loop.

```
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    preds = ...
    return preds

def validation_epoch_end(self, val_step_outputs):
    for pred in val_step_outputs:
        # do something with all the predictions from each validation_step
```

## Testing

Once our research is done and we're about to publish or deploy a model, we normally want to figure out how it will generalize in the "real world." For this, we use a held-out split of the data for testing.

Just like the validation loop, we define a test loop

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):
    def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, y = batch
        logits = self(x)
        loss = F.nll_loss(logits, y)
        self.log('test_loss', loss)
```

However, to make sure the test set isn't used inadvertently, Lightning has a separate API to run tests. Once you train your model simply call `.test()`.

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer

model = LitMNIST()
trainer = Trainer(tpu_cores=8)
trainer.fit(model)

# run test set
result = trainer.test()
print(result)
```

Out:

```
-----
TEST RESULTS
{'test_loss': 1.1703}
-----
```

You can also run the test from a saved lightning model

```
model = LitMNIST.load_from_checkpoint(PATH)
trainer = Trainer(tpu_cores=8)
trainer.test(model)
```

**Note:** Lightning disables gradients, puts model in eval mode, and does everything needed for testing.

**Warning:** `.test()` is not stable yet on TPUs. We're working on getting around the multiprocessing challenges.

---

## Predicting

Again, a `LightningModule` is exactly the same as a PyTorch module. This means you can load it and use it for prediction.

```
model = LitMNIST.load_from_checkpoint(PATH)
x = torch.randn(1, 1, 28, 28)
out = model(x)
```

On the surface, it looks like `forward` and `training_step` are similar. Generally, we want to make sure that what we want the model to do is what happens in the `forward`, whereas the `training_step` likely calls `forward` from within it.

```
class MNISTClassifier(LightningModule):

    def forward(self, x):
        batch_size, channels, width, height = x.size()
        x = x.view(batch_size, -1)
        x = self.layer_1(x)
        x = F.relu(x)
        x = self.layer_2(x)
        x = F.relu(x)
        x = self.layer_3(x)
        x = F.log_softmax(x, dim=1)
        return x

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, y = batch
        logits = self(x)
        loss = F.nll_loss(logits, y)
        return loss
```

```
model = MNISTClassifier()
x = mnist_image()
logits = model(x)
```

In this case, we've set this `LightningModel` to predict logits. But we could also have it predict feature maps:

```
class MNISTRepresentator(LightningModule):

    def forward(self, x):
        batch_size, channels, width, height = x.size()
        x = x.view(batch_size, -1)
        x = self.layer_1(x)
        x1 = F.relu(x)
        x = self.layer_2(x1)
        x2 = F.relu(x)
        x3 = self.layer_3(x2)
        return [x, x1, x2, x3]
```

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```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch
    out, l1_feats, l2_feats, l3_feats = self(x)
    logits = F.log_softmax(out, dim=1)
    ce_loss = F.nll_loss(logits, y)
    loss = perceptual_loss(l1_feats, l2_feats, l3_feats) + ce_loss
    return loss
```

```
model = MNISTRepresentator.load_from_checkpoint(PATH)
x = mnist_image()
feature_maps = model(x)
```

Or maybe we have a model that we use to do generation. A *LightningModule* is also just a `torch.nn.Module`.

```
class LitMNISTDreamer(LightningModule):

    def forward(self, z):
        imgs = self.decoder(z)
        return imgs

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, y = batch
        representation = self.encoder(x)
        imgs = self(representation)

        loss = perceptual_loss(imgs, x)
        return loss
```

```
model = LitMNISTDreamer.load_from_checkpoint(PATH)
z = sample_noise()
generated_imgs = model(z)
```

To perform inference at scale, it is possible to use `predict()` with `predict_step()`. By default, `predict_step()` calls `forward()`, but it can be overridden to add any processing logic.

```
class LitMNISTDreamer(LightningModule):

    def forward(self, z):
        imgs = self.decoder(z)
        return imgs

    def predict_step(self, batch, batch_idx: int, dataloader_idx: int = None):
        return self(batch)

model = LitMNISTDreamer()
trainer.predict(model, datamodule)
```

How you split up what goes in `forward()` vs `training_step()` vs `predict_step()` depends on how you want to use this model for prediction. However, we recommend `forward()` to contain only tensor operations with your model. `training_step()` to encapsulate `forward()` logic with logging, metrics, and loss computation. `predict_step()` to encapsulate `forward()` with any necessary preprocess or postprocess functions.

## 15.1.4 The non-essentials

### Extensibility

Although lightning makes everything super simple, it doesn't sacrifice any flexibility or control. Lightning offers multiple ways of managing the training state.

### Training overrides

Any part of the training, validation, and testing loop can be modified. For instance, if you wanted to do your own backward pass, you would override the default implementation

```
def backward(self, use_amp, loss, optimizer):
    loss.backward()
```

With your own

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def backward(self, use_amp, loss, optimizer, optimizer_idx):
        # do a custom way of backward
        loss.backward(retain_graph=True)
```

Every single part of training is configurable this way. For a full list look at [LightningModule](#).

---

### Callbacks

Another way to add arbitrary functionality is to add a custom callback for hooks that you might care about

```
from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import Callback

class MyPrintingCallback(Callback):

    def on_init_start(self, trainer):
        print('Starting to init trainer!')

    def on_init_end(self, trainer):
        print('Trainer is init now')

    def on_train_end(self, trainer, pl_module):
        print('do something when training ends')
```

And pass the callbacks into the trainer

```
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[MyPrintingCallback()])
```

---

**Tip:** See full list of 12+ hooks in the [callbacks](#).

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## Child Modules

Research projects tend to test different approaches to the same dataset. This is very easy to do in Lightning with inheritance.

For example, imagine we now want to train an Autoencoder to use as a feature extractor for MNIST images. We are extending our Autoencoder from the *LitMNIST*-module which already defines all the dataloading. The only things that change in the *Autoencoder* model are the init, forward, training, validation and test step.

```
class Encoder(torch.nn.Module):
    pass

class Decoder(torch.nn.Module):
    pass

class AutoEncoder(LitMNIST):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.encoder = Encoder()
        self.decoder = Decoder()
        self.metric = MSE()

    def forward(self, x):
        return self.encoder(x)

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, _ = batch

        representation = self.encoder(x)
        x_hat = self.decoder(representation)

        loss = self.metric(x, x_hat)
        return loss

    def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        self._shared_eval(batch, batch_idx, 'val')

    def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        self._shared_eval(batch, batch_idx, 'test')

    def _shared_eval(self, batch, batch_idx, prefix):
        x, _ = batch
        representation = self.encoder(x)
        x_hat = self.decoder(representation)

        loss = self.metric(x, x_hat)
        self.log(f'{prefix}_loss', loss)
```

and we can train this using the same trainer

```
autoencoder = AutoEncoder()
trainer = Trainer()
trainer.fit(autoencoder)
```

And remember that the forward method should define the practical use of a LightningModule. In this case, we want to use the *AutoEncoder* to extract image representations

```
some_images = torch.Tensor(32, 1, 28, 28)
representations = autoencoder(some_images)
```

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## Transfer Learning

### Using Pretrained Models

Sometimes we want to use a LightningModule as a pretrained model. This is fine because a LightningModule is just a *torch.nn.Module*!

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**Note:** Remember that a LightningModule is EXACTLY a torch.nn.Module but with more capabilities.

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Let's use the *AutoEncoder* as a feature extractor in a separate model.

```
class Encoder(torch.nn.Module):
    ...

class AutoEncoder(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self):
        self.encoder = Encoder()
        self.decoder = Decoder()

class CIFAR10Classifier(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self):
        # init the pretrained LightningModule
        self.feature_extractor = AutoEncoder.load_from_checkpoint(PATH)
        self.feature_extractor.freeze()

        # the autoencoder outputs a 100-dim representation and CIFAR-10 has 10 classes
        self.classifier = nn.Linear(100, 10)

    def forward(self, x):
        representations = self.feature_extractor(x)
        x = self.classifier(representations)
        ...
```

We used our pretrained Autoencoder (a LightningModule) for transfer learning!

### Example: Imagenet (computer Vision)

```
import torchvision.models as models

class ImagenetTransferLearning(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()

        # init a pretrained resnet
        backbone = models.resnet50(pretrained=True)
        num_filters = backbone.fc.in_features
        layers = list(backbone.children())[:-1]
```

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```

self.feature_extractor = nn.Sequential(*layers)

# use the pretrained model to classify cifar-10 (10 image classes)
num_target_classes = 10
self.classifier = nn.Linear(num_filters, num_target_classes)

def forward(self, x):
    self.feature_extractor.eval()
    with torch.no_grad():
        representations = self.feature_extractor(x).flatten(1)
    x = self.classifier(representations)
    ...

```

### Finetune

```

model = ImagenetTransferLearning()
trainer = Trainer()
trainer.fit(model)

```

And use it to predict your data of interest

```

model = ImagenetTransferLearning.load_from_checkpoint(PATH)
model.freeze()

x = some_images_from_cifar10()
predictions = model(x)

```

We used a pretrained model on imagenet, finetuned on CIFAR-10 to predict on CIFAR-10. In the non-academic world we would finetune on a tiny dataset you have and predict on your dataset.

### Example: BERT (NLP)

Lightning is completely agnostic to what's used for transfer learning so long as it is a `torch.nn.Module` subclass.

Here's a model that uses [Huggingface transformers](#).

```

class BertMNLIFinetuner(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()

        self.bert = BertModel.from_pretrained('bert-base-cased', output_
↪attentions=True)
        self.W = nn.Linear(bert.config.hidden_size, 3)
        self.num_classes = 3

    def forward(self, input_ids, attention_mask, token_type_ids):

        h, _, attn = self.bert(input_ids=input_ids,
                               attention_mask=attention_mask,
                               token_type_ids=token_type_ids)

        h_cls = h[:, 0]
        logits = self.W(h_cls)
        return logits, attn

```

## 15.2 Why PyTorch Lightning

### 15.2.1 a. Less boilerplate

Research and production code starts with simple code, but quickly grows in complexity once you add GPU training, 16-bit, checkpointing, logging, etc...

PyTorch Lightning implements these features for you and tests them rigorously to make sure you can instead focus on the research idea.

Writing less engineering/boilerplate code means:

- fewer bugs
- faster iteration
- faster prototyping

### 15.2.2 b. More functionality

In PyTorch Lightning you leverage code written by hundreds of AI researchers, research engs and PhDs from the world's top AI labs, implementing all the latest best practices and SOTA features such as

- GPU, Multi GPU, TPU training
- Multi-node training
- Auto logging
- ...
- Gradient accumulation

### 15.2.3 c. Less error-prone

Why re-invent the wheel?

Use PyTorch Lightning to enjoy a deep learning structure that is rigorously tested (500+ tests) across CPUs/multi-GPUs/multi-TPUs on every pull-request.

We promise our collective team of 20+ from the top labs has thought about training more than you :)

### 15.2.4 d. Not a new library

PyTorch Lightning is organized PyTorch - no need to learn a new framework.

Switching your model to Lightning is straight forward - here's a 2-minute video on how to do it.

Your projects WILL grow in complexity and you WILL end up engineering more than trying out new ideas... Defer the hardest parts to Lightning!

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## 15.3 Lightning Philosophy

Lightning structures your deep learning code in 4 parts:

- Research code
- Engineering code
- Non-essential code
- Data code

### 15.3.1 Research code

In the MNIST generation example, the research code would be the particular system and how it's trained (ie: A GAN or VAE or GPT).

```
l1 = nn.Linear(...)
l2 = nn.Linear(...)
decoder = Decoder()

x1 = l1(x)
x2 = l2(x2)
out = decoder(features, x)

loss = perceptual_loss(x1, x2, x) + CE(out, x)
```

In Lightning, this code is organized into a *lightning module*.

### 15.3.2 Engineering code

The Engineering code is all the code related to training this system. Things such as early stopping, distribution over GPUs, 16-bit precision, etc. This is normally code that is THE SAME across most projects.

```
model.cuda(0)
x = x.cuda(0)

distributed = DistributedParallel(model)

with gpu_zero:
    download_data()

dist.barrier()
```

In Lightning, this code is abstracted out by the *trainer*.

### 15.3.3 Non-essential code

This is code that helps the research but isn't relevant to the research code. Some examples might be:

1. Inspect gradients
2. Log to tensorboard.

```
# log samples
z = Q.rsample()
generated = decoder(z)
self.experiment.log('images', generated)
```

In Lightning this code is organized into *callbacks*.

### 15.3.4 Data code

Lightning uses standard PyTorch DataLoaders or anything that gives a batch of data. This code tends to end up getting messy with transforms, normalization constants, and data splitting spread all over files.

```
# data
train = MNIST(...)
train, val = split(train, val)
test = MNIST(...)

# transforms
train_transforms = ...
val_transforms = ...
test_transforms = ...

# dataloader ...
# download with dist.barrier() for multi-gpu, etc...
```

This code gets especially complicated once you start doing multi-GPU training or needing info about the data to build your models.

In Lightning this code is organized inside a *datamodules*.

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**Tip:** DataModules are optional but encouraged, otherwise you can use standard DataLoaders

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## API REFERENCES

### 16.1 Accelerator API

<i>Accelerator</i>	The Accelerator Base Class.
<i>CPUAccelerator</i>	Accelerator for CPU devices.
<i>GPUAccelerator</i>	Accelerator for GPU devices.
<i>TPUAccelerator</i>	Accelerator for TPU devices.

#### 16.1.1 Accelerator

**class** `pytorch_lightning.accelerators.Accelerator` (*precision\_plugin*, *training\_type\_plugin*)

Bases: `object`

The Accelerator Base Class. An Accelerator is meant to deal with one type of Hardware.

Currently there are accelerators for:

- CPU
- GPU
- TPU

Each Accelerator gets two plugins upon initialization: One to handle differences from the training routine and one to handle different precisions.

##### Parameters

- **`precision_plugin`** (PrecisionPlugin) – the plugin to handle precision-specific parts
- **`training_type_plugin`** (TrainingTypePlugin) – the plugin to handle different training routines

**`all_gather`** (*tensor*, *group=None*, *sync\_grads=False*)

Function to gather a tensor from several distributed processes.

##### Parameters

- **`tensor`** (Tensor) – tensor of shape (batch, ...)
- **`group`** (Optional[Any]) – the process group to gather results from. Defaults to all processes (world)

- **sync\_grads** (bool) – flag that allows users to synchronize gradients for all\_gather op

**Return type** Tensor

**Returns** A tensor of shape (world\_size, batch, ...)

**backward** (closure\_loss, optimizer, optimizer\_idx, should\_accumulate, \*args, \*\*kwargs)

Forwards backward-calls to the precision plugin.

**Parameters**

- **closure\_loss** (Tensor) – a tensor holding the loss value to backpropagate
- **should\_accumulate** (bool) – whether to accumulate gradients

**Return type** Tensor

**batch\_to\_device** (batch, device=None)

Moves the batch to the correct device. The returned batch is of the same type as the input batch, just having all tensors on the correct device.

**Parameters**

- **batch** (Any) – The batch of samples to move to the correct device
- **device** (Optional[device]) – The target device

**Return type** Any

**broadcast** (obj, src=0)

Broadcasts an object to all processes, such that the src object is broadcast to all other ranks if needed.

**Parameters**

- **obj** (object) – Object to broadcast to all process, usually a tensor or collection of tensors.
- **src** (int) – The source rank of which the object will be broadcast from

**Return type** object

**clip\_gradients** (optimizer, clip\_val, gradient\_clip\_algorithm=<GradClipAlgorithmType.NORM:  
'norm'>)

clips all the optimizer parameters to the given value

**Return type** None

**connect** (model)

Transfers ownership of the model to this plugin

**Return type** None

**connect\_precision\_plugin** (plugin)

Attaches the precision plugin to the accelerator

**Return type** None

**connect\_training\_type\_plugin** (plugin, model)

Attaches the training type plugin to the accelerator. Also transfers ownership of the model to this plugin

**Return type** None

**dispatch** (trainer)

Hook to do something before the training/evaluation/prediction starts.

**Return type** None

**model\_sharded\_context()**

Provide hook to create modules in a distributed aware context. This is useful for when we'd like to shard the model instantly - useful for extremely large models. Can save memory and initialization time.

**Return type** `Generator[None, None, None]`

**Returns** Model parallel context.

**on\_train\_end()**

Hook to do something at the end of the training

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_epoch\_end()**

Hook to do something on the end of an training epoch.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_start()**

Hook to do something upon the training start

**Return type** `None`

**optimizer\_state(optimizer)**

Returns state of an optimizer. Allows for syncing/collating optimizer state from processes in custom plugins.

**Return type** `Dict[str, Tensor]`

**optimizer\_step(optimizer, opt\_idx, lambda\_closure, \*\*kwargs)**

performs the actual optimizer step.

**Parameters**

- **optimizer** `(Optimizer)` – the optimizer performing the step
- **opt\_idx** `(int)` – index of the current optimizer
- **lambda\_closure** `(Callable)` – closure calculating the loss value

**Return type** `None`

**optimizer\_zero\_grad(current\_epoch, batch\_idx, optimizer, opt\_idx)**

Zeros all model parameter's gradients

**Return type** `None`

**post\_dispatch(trainer)**

Hook to do something after the training/evaluation/prediction starts.

**Return type** `None`

**pre\_dispatch(trainer)**

Hook to do something before the training/evaluation/prediction starts.

**Return type** `None`

**predict\_step(args)**

The actual predict step.

**Parameters** **args** `(List[Union[Any, int]])` – the arguments for the models predict step. Can consist of the following:

- **batch** `(Tensor | (Tensor, ...) | [Tensor, ...])`: The output of your `DataLoader`. A tensor, tuple or list.
- **batch\_idx** `(int)`: The index of this batch.

- `dataloader_idx` (int): The index of the dataloader that produced this batch (only if multiple predict dataloaders used).

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]`

**`process_dataloader`** (*dataloader*)

Wraps the dataloader if necessary

**Parameters** `dataloader` `(Union[Iterable, DataLoader])` – iterable. Ideally of type: `torch.utils.data.DataLoader`

**Return type** `Union[Iterable, DataLoader]`

**`save_checkpoint`** (*checkpoint*, *filepath*)

Save model/training states as a checkpoint file through state-dump and file-write.

**Parameters**

- `checkpoint` `(Dict[str, Any])` – dict containing model and trainer state
- `filepath` `(str)` – write-target file's path

**Return type** `None`

**`setup`** (*trainer*, *model*)

Setup plugins for the trainer fit and creates optimizers.

**Parameters**

- `trainer` `(Trainer)` – the trainer instance
- `model` `(LightningModule)` – the LightningModule

**Return type** `None`

**`setup_environment`** ()

Setup any processes or distributed connections. This is called before the LightningModule/DataModule setup hook which allows the user to access the accelerator environment before setup is complete.

**Return type** `None`

**`setup_optimizers`** (*trainer*)

Creates optimizers and schedulers

**Parameters** `trainer` `(Trainer)` – the Trainer, these optimizers should be connected to

**Return type** `None`

**`setup_precision_plugin`** (*plugin*)

Attaches the precision plugin to the accelerator

**Return type** `None`

**`setup_training_type_plugin`** (*plugin*, *model*)

Attaches the training type plugin to the accelerator.

**Return type** `None`

**`teardown`** ()

This method is called to teardown the training process. It is the right place to release memory and free other resources.

By default we add a barrier here to synchronize processes before returning control back to the caller.

**Return type** `None`

**test\_step** (*args*)

The actual test step.

**Parameters** *args* (List[Union[Any, int]]) – the arguments for the models test step. Can consist of the following:

- *batch* (Tensor | (Tensor, ...) | [Tensor, ...]): The output of your `DataLoader`. A tensor, tuple or list.
- *batch\_idx* (int): The index of this batch.
- *dataloader\_idx* (int): The index of the dataloader that produced this batch (only if multiple test dataloaders used).

**Return type** Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]

**test\_step\_end** (*output*)

A hook to do something at the end of the test step

**Parameters** *output* (Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]) – the output of the test step

**Return type** Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]

**to\_device** (*batch*)

Pushes the batch to the root device

**Return type** Any

**training\_step** (*args*)

The actual training step.

**Parameters** *args* (List[Union[Any, int]]) – the arguments for the models training step. Can consist of the following:

- *batch* (Tensor | (Tensor, ...) | [Tensor, ...]): The output of your `DataLoader`. A tensor, tuple or list.
- *batch\_idx* (int): Integer displaying index of this batch
- *optimizer\_idx* (int): When using multiple optimizers, this argument will also be present.
- *hiddens* (Tensor): Passed in if *truncated\_bptt\_steps* > 0.

**Return type** Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]

**training\_step\_end** (*output*)

A hook to do something at the end of the training step

**Parameters** *output* (Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]) – the output of the training step

**Return type** Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]

**validation\_step** (*args*)

The actual validation step.

**Parameters** *args* (List[Union[Any, int]]) – the arguments for the models validation step. Can consist of the following:

- *batch* (Tensor | (Tensor, ...) | [Tensor, ...]): The output of your `DataLoader`. A tensor, tuple or list.
- *batch\_idx* (int): The index of this batch
- *dataloader\_idx* (int): The index of the dataloader that produced this batch (only if multiple val dataloaders used)

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]`

**validation\_step\_end** (*output*)

A hook to do something at the end of the validation step

**Parameters** *output* `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]` – the output of the validation step

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]`

**property call\_configure\_sharded\_model\_hook**

Allow model parallel hook to be called in suitable environments determined by the training type plugin. This is useful for when we want to shard the model once within fit.

**Return type** `bool`

**Returns** True if we want to call the model parallel setup hook.

**property lightning\_module**

Returns the pure LightningModule. To get the potentially wrapped model use `Accelerator.model`

**Return type** `LightningModule`

**property model**

Returns the model. This can also be a wrapped LightningModule. For retrieving the pure LightningModule use `Accelerator.lightning_module`

**Return type** `Module`

**property results**

The results of the last run will be cached within the training type plugin. In distributed training, we make sure to transfer the results to the appropriate master process.

**Return type** `Any`

**property setup\_optimizers\_in\_pre\_dispatch**

Override to delay setting optimizers and schedulers till after dispatch. This is useful when the *TrainingTypePlugin* requires operating on the wrapped accelerator model. However this may break certain precision plugins such as APEX which require optimizers to be set.

**Return type** `bool`

**Returns** If True, delay setup optimizers until *pre\_dispatch*, else call within *setup*.

### 16.1.2 CPUAccelerator

```
class pytorch_lightning.accelerators.CPUAccelerator (precision_plugin,          train-  
                                                    ing_type_plugin)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.accelerators.accelerator.Accelerator`

Accelerator for CPU devices.

**Parameters**

- **precision\_plugin** `PrecisionPlugin` – the plugin to handle precision-specific parts
- **training\_type\_plugin** `TrainingTypePlugin` – the plugin to handle different training routines

**setup** (*trainer*, *model*)

**Raises** `MisconfigurationException` – If AMP is used with CPU, or if the selected device is not CPU.

Return type `None`

### 16.1.3 GPUAccelerator

**class** `pytorch_lightning.accelerators.GPUAccelerator` (*precision\_plugin,* *train-*  
*ing\_type\_plugin*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.accelerators.accelerator.Accelerator`

Accelerator for GPU devices.

#### Parameters

- **precision\_plugin** (PrecisionPlugin) – the plugin to handle precision-specific parts
- **training\_type\_plugin** (TrainingTypePlugin) – the plugin to handle different training routines

**on\_train\_start** ()

Hook to do something upon the training start

Return type `None`

**setup** (*trainer, model*)

Raises **MisconfigurationException** – If the selected device is not GPU.

Return type `None`

**teardown** ()

This method is called to teardown the training process. It is the right place to release memory and free other resources.

By default we add a barrier here to synchronize processes before returning control back to the caller.

Return type `None`

**to\_device** (*batch*)

Pushes the batch to the root device

Return type `Any`

### 16.1.4 TPUAccelerator

**class** `pytorch_lightning.accelerators.TPUAccelerator` (*precision\_plugin,* *train-*  
*ing\_type\_plugin*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.accelerators.accelerator.Accelerator`

Accelerator for TPU devices.

#### Parameters

- **precision\_plugin** (PrecisionPlugin) – the plugin to handle precision-specific parts
- **training\_type\_plugin** (TrainingTypePlugin) – the plugin to handle different training routines

**clip\_gradients** (*optimizer, clip\_val, gradient\_clip\_algorithm=<GradClipAlgorithmType.NORM:*  
*'norm'>*)

clips all the optimizer parameters to the given value

Return type `None`

**setup** (*trainer, model*)

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If AMP is used with TPU, or if TPUs are not using a single TPU core or TPU spawn training.

**Return type** `None`

**teardown** ()

This method is called to teardown the training process. It is the right place to release memory and free other resources.

By default we add a barrier here to synchronize processes before returning control back to the caller.

**Return type** `None`

## 16.2 Core API

<i>datamodule</i>	LightningDataModule for loading DataLoaders with ease.
<i>decorators</i>	Decorator for LightningModule methods.
<i>hooks</i>	Various hooks to be used in the Lightning code.
<i>lightning</i>	nn.Module with additional great features.

### 16.2.1 datamodule

#### Classes

<i>LightningDataModule</i>	A DataModule standardizes the training, val, test splits, data preparation and transforms.
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LightningDataModule for loading DataLoaders with ease.

**class** `pytorch_lightning.core.datamodule.LightningDataModule` (\*args: *Any*,  
 \*\*kwargs: *Any*)  
 Bases: `pytorch_lightning.core.hooks.CheckpointHooks`, `pytorch_lightning.core.hooks.DataHooks`

A DataModule standardizes the training, val, test splits, data preparation and transforms. The main advantage is consistent data splits, data preparation and transforms across models.

Example:

```
class MyDataModule(LightningDataModule):
    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
    def prepare_data(self):
        # download, split, etc...
        # only called on 1 GPU/TPU in distributed
    def setup(self):
        # make assignments here (val/train/test split)
        # called on every process in DDP
    def train_dataloader(self):
        train_split = Dataset(...)
        return DataLoader(train_split)
```

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```

def val_dataloader(self):
    val_split = Dataset(...)
    return DataLoader(val_split)
def test_dataloader(self):
    test_split = Dataset(...)
    return DataLoader(test_split)
def teardown(self):
    # clean up after fit or test
    # called on every process in DDP

```

A `DataModule` implements 6 key methods:

- **prepare\_data** (things to do on 1 GPU/TPU not on every GPU/TPU in distributed mode).
- **setup** (things to do on every accelerator in distributed mode).
- **train\_dataloader** the training dataloader.
- **val\_dataloader** the val dataloader(s).
- **test\_dataloader** the test dataloader(s).
- **teardown** (things to do on every accelerator in distributed mode when finished)

This allows you to share a full dataset without explaining how to download, split transform and process the data

**classmethod** `add_argparse_args` (*parent\_parser*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Extends existing `argparse` by default `LightningDataModule` attributes.

**Return type** `ArgumentParser`

**classmethod** `from_argparse_args` (*args*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Create an instance from CLI arguments.

**Parameters**

- **args** `//` (`Union[Namespace, ArgumentParser]`) – The parser or namespace to take arguments from. Only known arguments will be parsed and passed to the `LightningDataModule`.
- **\*\*kwargs** `//` – Additional keyword arguments that may override ones in the parser or namespace. These must be valid `DataModule` arguments.

Example:

```

parser = ArgumentParser(add_help=False)
parser = LightningDataModule.add_argparse_args(parser)
module = LightningDataModule.from_argparse_args(args)

```

**classmethod** `from_datasets` (*train\_dataset=None*, *val\_dataset=None*, *test\_dataset=None*, *batch\_size=1*, *num\_workers=0*)

Create an instance from `torch.utils.data.Dataset`.

**Parameters**

- **train\_dataset** `//` (`Union[Dataset, Sequence[Dataset], Mapping[str, Dataset], None]`) – (optional) Dataset to be used for `train_dataloader()`
- **val\_dataset** `//` (`Union[Dataset, Sequence[Dataset], None]`) – (optional) Dataset or list of Dataset to be used for `val_dataloader()`

- **test\_dataset** *//* (`Union[Dataset, Sequence[Dataset], None]`) – (optional) Dataset or list of Dataset to be used for `test_dataloader()`
- **batch\_size** *//* (`int`) – Batch size to use for each dataloader. Default is 1.
- **num\_workers** *//* (`int`) – Number of subprocesses to use for data loading. 0 means that the data will be loaded in the main process. Number of CPUs available.

**classmethod** `get_init_arguments_and_types()`

Scans the `DataModule` signature and returns argument names, types and default values.

**Returns** (argument name, set with argument types, argument default value).

**Return type** List with tuples of 3 values

**size** (*dim=None*)

Return the dimension of each input either as a tuple or list of tuples. You can index this just as you would with a torch tensor.

**Return type** `Union[Tuple, int]`

**property** `dims`

A tuple describing the shape of your data. Extra functionality exposed in `size`.

**property** `has_prepared_data`

Return bool letting you know if `datamodule.prepare_data()` has been called or not.

**Returns** True if `datamodule.prepare_data()` has been called. False by default.

**Return type** `bool`

**property** `has_setup_fit`

Return bool letting you know if `datamodule.setup(stage='fit')` has been called or not.

**Returns** True if `datamodule.setup(stage='fit')` has been called. False by default.

**Return type** `bool`

**property** `has_setup_predict`

Return bool letting you know if `datamodule.setup(stage='predict')` has been called or not.

**Returns** True if `datamodule.setup(stage='predict')` has been called. False by default.

**Return type** `bool`

**property** `has_setup_test`

Return bool letting you know if `datamodule.setup(stage='test')` has been called or not.

**Returns** True if `datamodule.setup(stage='test')` has been called. False by default.

**Return type** `bool`

**property** `has_setup_validate`

Return bool letting you know if `datamodule.setup(stage='validate')` has been called or not.

**Returns** True if `datamodule.setup(stage='validate')` has been called. False by default.

**Return type** `bool`

**property** `has_teardown_fit`

Return bool letting you know if `datamodule.teardown(stage='fit')` has been called or not.

**Returns** True if `datamodule.teardown(stage='fit')` has been called. False by default.

Return type `bool`

**property `has_teardown_predict`**

Return bool letting you know if `datamodule.teardown(stage='predict')` has been called or not.

**Returns** True if `datamodule.teardown(stage='predict')` has been called. False by default.

Return type `bool`

**property `has_teardown_test`**

Return bool letting you know if `datamodule.teardown(stage='test')` has been called or not.

**Returns** True if `datamodule.teardown(stage='test')` has been called. False by default.

Return type `bool`

**property `has_teardown_validate`**

Return bool letting you know if `datamodule.teardown(stage='validate')` has been called or not.

**Returns** True if `datamodule.teardown(stage='validate')` has been called. False by default.

Return type `bool`

**property `test_transforms`**

Optional transforms (or collection of transforms) you can apply to test dataset

**property `train_transforms`**

Optional transforms (or collection of transforms) you can apply to train dataset

**property `val_transforms`**

Optional transforms (or collection of transforms) you can apply to validation dataset

## 16.2.2 decorators

### Functions

<code>auto_move_data</code>	Decorator for <i>LightningModule</i> methods for which input arguments should be moved automatically to the correct device.
<code>parameter_validation</code>	Validates that the module parameter lengths match after moving to the device.

Decorator for *LightningModule* methods.

`pytorch_lightning.core.decorators.auto_move_data(fn)`

Decorator for *LightningModule* methods for which input arguments should be moved automatically to the correct device. It has no effect if applied to a method of an object that is not an instance of *LightningModule* and is typically applied to `__call__` or `forward`.

**Parameters** `fn` (*Callable*) – A *LightningModule* method for which the arguments should be moved to the device the parameters are on.

Example:

```
# directly in the source code
class LitModel(LightningModule):

    @auto_move_data
    def forward(self, x):
        return x

# or outside
LitModel.forward = auto_move_data(LitModel.forward)

model = LitModel()
model = model.to('cuda')
model(torch.zeros(1, 3))

# input gets moved to device
# tensor([[0., 0., 0.]], device='cuda:0')
```

**Return type** Callable

`pytorch_lightning.core.decorators.parameter_validation` (*fn*)

Validates that the module parameter lengths match after moving to the device. It is useful when tying weights on TPU's.

**Parameters** *fn* (Callable) – `model_to_device` method

---

**Note:** TPU's require weights to be tied/shared after moving the module to the device. Failure to do this results in the initialization of new weights which are not tied. To overcome this issue, weights should be tied using the `on_post_move_to_device` model hook which is called after the module has been moved to the device.

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See also:

- [XLA Documentation](#)

**Return type** Callable

## 16.2.3 hooks

### Classes

<i>CheckpointHooks</i>	Hooks to be used with Checkpointing.
<i>DataHooks</i>	Hooks to be used for data related stuff.
<i>ModelHooks</i>	Hooks to be used in LightningModule.

Various hooks to be used in the Lightning code.

**class** `pytorch_lightning.core.hooks.CheckpointHooks`

Bases: `object`

Hooks to be used with Checkpointing.

**on\_load\_checkpoint** (*checkpoint*)

Called by Lightning to restore your model. If you saved something with `on_save_checkpoint()` this is your chance to restore this.

**Parameters** `checkpoint` *(Dict[str, Any])* – Loaded checkpoint

Example:

```
def on_load_checkpoint(self, checkpoint):
    # 99% of the time you don't need to implement this method
    self.something_cool_i_want_to_save = checkpoint['something_cool_i_want_to_
↪save']
```

**Note:** Lightning auto-restores global step, epoch, and train state including amp scaling. There is no need for you to restore anything regarding training.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_save\_checkpoint** (*checkpoint*)

Called by Lightning when saving a checkpoint to give you a chance to store anything else you might want to save.

**Parameters** `checkpoint` *(Dict[str, Any])* – Checkpoint to be saved

Example:

```
def on_save_checkpoint(self, checkpoint):
    # 99% of use cases you don't need to implement this method
    checkpoint['something_cool_i_want_to_save'] = my_cool_pickable_object
```

**Note:** Lightning saves all aspects of training (epoch, global step, etc...) including amp scaling. There is no need for you to store anything about training.

**Return type** `None`

**class** `pytorch_lightning.core.hooks.DataHooks`

Bases: `object`

Hooks to be used for data related stuff.

**on\_after\_batch\_transfer** (*batch, dataloader\_idx*)

Override to alter or apply batch augmentations to your batch after it is transferred to the device.

**Warning:** `dataloader_idx` always returns 0, and will be updated to support the true `idx` in the future.

**Note:** This hook only runs on single GPU training and DDP (no data-parallel). Data-Parallel support will come in near future.

**Parameters**

- **batch** *(Any)* – A batch of data that needs to be altered or augmented.
- **dataloader\_idx** *(int)* – DataLoader idx for batch (Default: 0)

**Return type** `Any`

**Returns** A batch of data

Example:

```
def on_after_batch_transfer(self, batch, dataloader_idx):  
    batch['x'] = gpu_transforms(batch['x'])  
    return batch
```

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If using data-parallel,  
`Trainer(accelerator='dp')`.

**See also:**

- `on_before_batch_transfer()`
- `transfer_batch_to_device()`

**`on_before_batch_transfer`** (*batch*, *dataloader\_idx*)

Override to alter or apply batch augmentations to your batch before it is transferred to the device.

**Warning:** `dataloader_idx` always returns 0, and will be updated to support the true index in the future.

---

**Note:** This hook only runs on single GPU training and DDP (no data-parallel). Data-Parallel support will come in near future.

---

#### Parameters

- **`batch`** *(Any)* – A batch of data that needs to be altered or augmented.
- **`dataloader_idx`** *(int)* – DataLoader idx for batch

**Return type** *Any*

**Returns** A batch of data

Example:

```
def on_before_batch_transfer(self, batch, dataloader_idx):  
    batch['x'] = transforms(batch['x'])  
    return batch
```

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If using data-parallel,  
`Trainer(accelerator='dp')`.

**See also:**

- `on_after_batch_transfer()`
- `transfer_batch_to_device()`

**`on_predict_dataloader`** ()

Called before requesting the predict dataloader.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_dataloader()**

Called before requesting the test dataloader.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_dataloader()**

Called before requesting the train dataloader.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_val\_dataloader()**

Called before requesting the val dataloader.

**Return type** `None`

**predict\_dataloader()**

Implement one or multiple PyTorch DataLoaders for prediction.

It's recommended that all data downloads and preparation happen in `prepare_data()`.

- `fit()`
- ...
- `prepare_data()`
- `train_dataloader()`
- `val_dataloader()`
- `test_dataloader()`

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**Note:** Lightning adds the correct sampler for distributed and arbitrary hardware. There is no need to set it yourself.

---

**Return type** `Union[Dataloader, List[Dataloader]]`

**Returns** Single or multiple PyTorch DataLoaders.

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**Note:** In the case where you return multiple prediction dataloaders, the `predict()` will have an argument `dataloader_idx` which matches the order here.

---

**prepare\_data()**

Use this to download and prepare data.

**Warning:** DO NOT set state to the model (use `setup` instead) since this is NOT called on every GPU in DDP/TPU

Example:

```
def prepare_data(self):
    # good
    download_data()
    tokenize()
    etc()
```

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```
# bad
self.split = data_split
self.some_state = some_other_state()
```

In DDP `prepare_data` can be called in two ways (using `Trainer(prepare_data_per_node)`):

1. Once per node. This is the default and is only called on `LOCAL_RANK=0`.
2. Once in total. Only called on `GLOBAL_RANK=0`.

Example:

```
# DEFAULT
# called once per node on LOCAL_RANK=0 of that node
Trainer(prepare_data_per_node=True)

# call on GLOBAL_RANK=0 (great for shared file systems)
Trainer(prepare_data_per_node=False)
```

This is called before requesting the dataloaders:

```
model.prepare_data()
    if ddp/tpu: init()
model.setup(stage)
model.train_dataloader()
model.val_dataloader()
model.test_dataloader()
```

**Return type** `None`

**setup** (*stage=None*)

Called at the beginning of fit (train + validate), validate, test, and predict. This is a good hook when you need to build models dynamically or adjust something about them. This hook is called on every process when using DDP.

**Parameters** *stage* `Optional[str]` – either 'fit', 'validate', 'test', or 'predict'

Example:

```
class LitModel(...):
    def __init__(self):
        self.l1 = None

    def prepare_data(self):
        download_data()
        tokenize()

        # don't do this
        self.something = else

    def setup(stage):
        data = Load_data(...)
        self.l1 = nn.Linear(28, data.num_classes)
```

**Return type** `None`



**teardown** (*stage=None*)

Called at the end of fit (train + validate), validate, test, predict, or tune.

**Parameters** *stage* (Optional[str]) – either 'fit', 'validate', 'test', or 'predict'

**Return type** None

**test\_dataloader** ()

Implement one or multiple PyTorch DataLoaders for testing.

The dataloader you return will not be called every epoch unless you set `reload_dataloaders_every_epoch` to True.

For data processing use the following pattern:

- download in `prepare_data()`
- process and split in `setup()`

However, the above are only necessary for distributed processing.

**Warning:** do not assign state in `prepare_data`

- `fit()`
- ...
- `prepare_data()`
- `setup()`
- `train_dataloader()`
- `val_dataloader()`
- `test_dataloader()`

**Note:** Lightning adds the correct sampler for distributed and arbitrary hardware. There is no need to set it yourself.

**Return type** Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader]]

**Returns** Single or multiple PyTorch DataLoaders.

Example:

```
def test_dataloader(self):
    transform = transforms.Compose([transforms.ToTensor(),
                                    transforms.Normalize((0.5,), (1.0,))])
    dataset = MNIST(root='/path/to/mnist/', train=False, transform=transform,
                    download=True)
    loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=dataset,
        batch_size=self.batch_size,
        shuffle=False
    )
```

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```

    return loader

# can also return multiple dataloaders
def test_dataloader(self):
    return [loader_a, loader_b, ..., loader_n]

```

---

**Note:** If you don't need a test dataset and a `test_step()`, you don't need to implement this method.

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**Note:** In the case where you return multiple test dataloaders, the `test_step()` will have an argument `dataloader_idx` which matches the order here.

---

### `train_dataloader()`

Implement one or more PyTorch `DataLoaders` for training.

**Return type** `Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], Dict[str, DataLoader]]`

**Returns** Either a single PyTorch `DataLoader` or a collection of these (list, dict, nested lists and dicts). In the case of multiple dataloaders, please see this [page](#)

The `dataloader` you return will not be called every epoch unless you set `reload_dataloaders_every_epoch` to `True`.

For data processing use the following pattern:

- download in `prepare_data()`
- process and split in `setup()`

However, the above are only necessary for distributed processing.

**Warning:** do not assign state in `prepare_data`

- `fit()`
- ...
- `prepare_data()`
- `setup()`
- `train_dataloader()`

---

**Note:** Lightning adds the correct sampler for distributed and arbitrary hardware. There is no need to set it yourself.

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Example:

```

# single dataloader
def train_dataloader(self):
    transform = transforms.Compose([transforms.ToTensor(),
                                    transforms.Normalize((0.5,), (1.0,))])
    dataset = MNIST(root='/path/to/mnist/', train=True, transform=transform,

```

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```

        download=True)
    loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=dataset,
        batch_size=self.batch_size,
        shuffle=True
    )
    return loader

# multiple dataloaders, return as list
def train_dataloader(self):
    mnist = MNIST(...)
    cifar = CIFAR(...)
    mnist_loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=mnist, batch_size=self.batch_size, shuffle=True
    )
    cifar_loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=cifar, batch_size=self.batch_size, shuffle=True
    )
    # each batch will be a list of tensors: [batch_mnist, batch_cifar]
    return [mnist_loader, cifar_loader]

# multiple dataloader, return as dict
def train_dataloader(self):
    mnist = MNIST(...)
    cifar = CIFAR(...)
    mnist_loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=mnist, batch_size=self.batch_size, shuffle=True
    )
    cifar_loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=cifar, batch_size=self.batch_size, shuffle=True
    )
    # each batch will be a dict of tensors: {'mnist': batch_mnist, 'cifar': ↵
    ↵batch_cifar}
    return {'mnist': mnist_loader, 'cifar': cifar_loader}

```

**transfer\_batch\_to\_device** (batch, device=None)

Override this hook if your `DataLoader` returns tensors wrapped in a custom data structure.

The data types listed below (and any arbitrary nesting of them) are supported out of the box:

- `torch.Tensor` or anything that implements `.to(...)`
- `list`
- `dict`
- `tuple`
- `torchtext.data.batch.Batch`

For anything else, you need to define how the data is moved to the target device (CPU, GPU, TPU, ...).

---

**Note:** This hook should only transfer the data and not modify it, nor should it move the data to any other device than the one passed in as argument (unless you know what you are doing).

---



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**Note:** This hook only runs on single GPU training and DDP (no data-parallel). Data-Parallel support will

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come in near future.

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#### Parameters

- **batch** *(Any)* – A batch of data that needs to be transferred to a new device.
- **device** *(Optional[device])* – The target device as defined in PyTorch.

**Return type** *Any*

**Returns** A reference to the data on the new device.

Example:

```
def transfer_batch_to_device(self, batch, device):
    if isinstance(batch, CustomBatch):
        # move all tensors in your custom data structure to the device
        batch.samples = batch.samples.to(device)
        batch.targets = batch.targets.to(device)
    else:
        batch = super().transfer_batch_to_device(data, device)
    return batch
```

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If using `data-parallel`,  
`Trainer(accelerator='dp')`.

See also:

- `move_data_to_device()`
- `apply_to_collection()`

#### **val\_dataloader()**

Implement one or multiple PyTorch DataLoaders for validation.

The dataloader you return will not be called every epoch unless you set `reload_dataloaders_every_epoch` to `True`.

It's recommended that all data downloads and preparation happen in `prepare_data()`.

- `fit()`
- ...
- `prepare_data()`
- `train_dataloader()`
- `val_dataloader()`
- `test_dataloader()`

---

**Note:** Lightning adds the correct sampler for distributed and arbitrary hardware There is no need to set it yourself.

---

**Return type** `Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader]]`

**Returns** Single or multiple PyTorch DataLoaders.

Examples:

```
def val_dataloader(self):
    transform = transforms.Compose([transforms.ToTensor(),
                                    transforms.Normalize((0.5,), (1.0,))])
    dataset = MNIST(root='/path/to/mnist/', train=False,
                    transform=transform, download=True)
    loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
        dataset=dataset,
        batch_size=self.batch_size,
        shuffle=False
    )

    return loader

# can also return multiple dataloaders
def val_dataloader(self):
    return [loader_a, loader_b, ..., loader_n]
```

---

**Note:** If you don't need a validation dataset and a `validation_step()`, you don't need to implement this method.

---



---

**Note:** In the case where you return multiple validation dataloaders, the `validation_step()` will have an argument `dataloader_idx` which matches the order here.

---

**class** `pytorch_lightning.core.hooks.ModelHooks`

Bases: `object`

Hooks to be used in `LightningModule`.

**configure\_sharded\_model()**

Hook to create modules in a distributed aware context. This is useful for when using sharded plugins, where we'd like to shard the model instantly, which is useful for extremely large models which can save memory and initialization time.

The accelerator manages whether to call this hook at every given stage. For sharded plugins where model parallelism is required, the hook is usually on called once to initialize the sharded parameters, and not called again in the same process.

By default for accelerators/plugins that do not use model sharding techniques, this hook is called during each fit/val/test/predict stages.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_after\_backward()**

Called in the training loop after `loss.backward()` and before optimizers do anything. This is the ideal place to inspect or log gradient information.

Example:

```
def on_after_backward(self):
    # example to inspect gradient information in tensorboard
    if self.trainer.global_step % 25 == 0: # don't make the tf file huge
        for k, v in self.named_parameters():
            self.logger.experiment.add_histogram(
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```

        tag=k, values=v.grad, global_step=self.trainer.global_step
    )

```

**Return type** `None`**on\_before\_zero\_grad**(*optimizer*)Called after `training_step()` and before `optimizer.zero_grad()`.

Called in the training loop after taking an optimizer step and before zeroing grads. Good place to inspect weight information with weights updated.

This is where it is called:

```

for optimizer in optimizers:
    out = training_step(...)

    model.on_before_zero_grad(optimizer) # < ---- called here
    optimizer.zero_grad()

backward()

```

**Parameters** `optimizer` (Optimizer) – The optimizer for which grads should be zeroed.**Return type** `None`**on\_epoch\_end**()

Called when either of train/val/test epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`**on\_epoch\_start**()

Called when either of train/val/test epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`**on\_fit\_end**()

Called at the very end of fit. If on DDP it is called on every process

**Return type** `None`**on\_fit\_start**()

Called at the very beginning of fit. If on DDP it is called on every process

**Return type** `None`**on\_post\_move\_to\_device**()Called in the `parameter_validation` decorator after `to()` is called. This is a good place to tie weights between modules after moving them to a device. Can be used when training models with weight sharing properties on TPU.Addresses the handling of shared weights on TPU: <https://github.com/pytorch/xla/blob/master/TROUBLESHOOTING.md#xla-tensor-quirks>

Example:

```

def on_post_move_to_device(self):
    self.decoder.weight = self.encoder.weight

```

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_batch\_end** (*outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called in the predict loop after the batch.

**Parameters**

- **outputs** `[Optional[Any]]` – The outputs of `predict_step_end(test_step(x))`
- **batch** `[Any]` – The batched data as it is returned by the test `DataLoader`.
- **batch\_idx** `[int]` – the index of the batch
- **dataloader\_idx** `[int]` – the index of the dataloader

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_batch\_start** (*batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called in the predict loop before anything happens for that batch.

**Parameters**

- **batch** `[Any]` – The batched data as it is returned by the test `DataLoader`.
- **batch\_idx** `[int]` – the index of the batch
- **dataloader\_idx** `[int]` – the index of the dataloader

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_end** ()

Called at the end of predicting.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_epoch\_end** (*results*)

Called at the end of predicting.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_epoch\_start** ()

Called at the beginning of predicting.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_model\_eval** ()

Sets the model to eval during the predict loop

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_start** ()

Called at the beginning of predicting.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_pretrain\_routine\_end** ()

Called at the end of the pretrain routine (between fit and train start).

- fit
- pretrain\_routine start
- pretrain\_routine end
- training\_start

**Return type** `None`

**on\_pretrain\_routine\_start()**

Called at the beginning of the pretrain routine (between fit and train start).

- fit
- pretrain\_routine start
- pretrain\_routine end
- training\_start

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_batch\_end(outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx)**

Called in the test loop after the batch.

**Parameters**

- **outputs** `(Union[Tensor, Dict\[str, Any\], None])` – The outputs of `test_step_end(test_step(x))`
- **batch** `(Any)` – The batched data as it is returned by the test `DataLoader`.
- **batch\_idx** `(int)` – the index of the batch
- **dataloader\_idx** `(int)` – the index of the dataloader

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_batch\_start(batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx)**

Called in the test loop before anything happens for that batch.

**Parameters**

- **batch** `(Any)` – The batched data as it is returned by the test `DataLoader`.
- **batch\_idx** `(int)` – the index of the batch
- **dataloader\_idx** `(int)` – the index of the dataloader

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_end()**

Called at the end of testing.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_epoch\_end()**

Called in the test loop at the very end of the epoch.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_epoch\_start()**

Called in the test loop at the very beginning of the epoch.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_model\_eval()**

Sets the model to eval during the test loop

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_model\_train()**

Sets the model to train during the test loop

**Return type** `None`



**on\_test\_start()**

Called at the beginning of testing.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_batch\_end**(*outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called in the training loop after the batch.

**Parameters**

- **outputs** `(Union[Tensor, Dict\[str, Any\]])` – The outputs of `training_step_end(training_step(x))`
- **batch** `(Any)` – The batched data as it is returned by the training `DataLoader`.
- **batch\_idx** `(int)` – the index of the batch
- **dataloader\_idx** `(int)` – the index of the dataloader

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_batch\_start**(*batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called in the training loop before anything happens for that batch.

If you return -1 here, you will skip training for the rest of the current epoch.

**Parameters**

- **batch** `(Any)` – The batched data as it is returned by the training `DataLoader`.
- **batch\_idx** `(int)` – the index of the batch
- **dataloader\_idx** `(int)` – the index of the dataloader

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_end()**

Called at the end of training before logger experiment is closed.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_epoch\_end**(*unused=None*)

Called in the training loop at the very end of the epoch.

To access all batch outputs at the end of the epoch, either:

1. Implement `training_epoch_end` in the `LightningModule` OR
2. Cache data across steps on the attribute(s) of the `LightningModule` and access them in this hook

**on\_train\_epoch\_start()**

Called in the training loop at the very beginning of the epoch.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_start()**

Called at the beginning of training after sanity check.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_batch\_end**(*outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called in the validation loop after the batch.

**Parameters**

- **outputs** `(Union[Tensor, Dict\[str, Any\], None])` – The outputs of `validation_step_end(validation_step(x))`

- `batch` (Any) – The batched data as it is returned by the validation DataLoader.
- `batch_idx` (int) – the index of the batch
- `dataloader_idx` (int) – the index of the dataloader

Return type None

`on_validation_batch_start` (*batch*, *batch\_idx*, *dataloader\_idx*)  
Called in the validation loop before anything happens for that batch.

Parameters

- `batch` (Any) – The batched data as it is returned by the validation DataLoader.
- `batch_idx` (int) – the index of the batch
- `dataloader_idx` (int) – the index of the dataloader

Return type None

`on_validation_end` ()  
Called at the end of validation.

Return type None

`on_validation_epoch_end` ()  
Called in the validation loop at the very end of the epoch.

Return type None

`on_validation_epoch_start` ()  
Called in the validation loop at the very beginning of the epoch.

Return type None

`on_validation_model_eval` ()  
Sets the model to eval during the val loop

Return type None

`on_validation_model_train` ()  
Sets the model to train during the val loop

Return type None

`on_validation_start` ()  
Called at the beginning of validation.

Return type None

## 16.2.4 lightning

### Classes

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*LightningModule*

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nn.Module with additional great features.

```
class pytorch_lightning.core.lightning.LightningModule(*args, **kwargs)
    Bases: abc.ABC, pytorch_lightning.utilities.device_dtype_mixin.
    DeviceDtypeModuleMixin, pytorch_lightning.core.grads.GradInformation,
    pytorch_lightning.core.saving.ModelIO, pytorch_lightning.core.hooks.
```

*ModelHooks*, *pytorch\_lightning.core.hooks.DataHooks*, *pytorch\_lightning.core.hooks.CheckpointHooks*, *torch.nn*.

**all\_gather** (*data*, *group=None*, *sync\_grads=False*)

Allows users to call `self.all_gather()` from the `LightningModule`, thus making the `all_gather` operation accelerator agnostic.

`all_gather` is a function provided by accelerators to gather a tensor from several distributed processes

#### Parameters

- **tensor** – int, float, tensor of shape (batch, ...), or a (possibly nested) collection thereof.
- **group** (*Optional[Any]*) – the process group to gather results from. Defaults to all processes (world)
- **sync\_grads** (*bool*) – flag that allows users to synchronize gradients for all\_gather op

**Returns** A tensor of shape (world\_size, batch, ...), or if the input was a collection the output will also be a collection with tensors of this shape.

**backward** (*loss*, *optimizer*, *optimizer\_idx*, *\*args*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Override backward with your own implementation if you need to.

#### Parameters

- **loss** (*Tensor*) – Loss is already scaled by accumulated grads
- **optimizer** (*Optimizer*) – Current optimizer being used
- **optimizer\_idx** (*int*) – Index of the current optimizer being used

Called to perform backward step. Feel free to override as needed. The loss passed in has already been scaled for accumulated gradients if requested.

Example:

```
def backward(self, loss, optimizer, optimizer_idx):
    loss.backward()
```

**Return type** `None`

**configure\_callbacks** ()

Configure model-specific callbacks. When the model gets attached, e.g., when `.fit()` or `.test()` gets called, the list returned here will be merged with the list of callbacks passed to the Trainer's `callbacks` argument. If a callback returned here has the same type as one or several callbacks already present in the Trainer's callbacks list, it will take priority and replace them. In addition, Lightning will make sure *ModelCheckpoint* callbacks run last.

**Returns** A list of callbacks which will extend the list of callbacks in the Trainer.

Example:

```
def configure_callbacks(self):
    early_stop = EarlyStopping(monitor="val_acc", mode="max")
    checkpoint = ModelCheckpoint(monitor="val_loss")
    return [early_stop, checkpoint]
```

---

**Note:** Certain callback methods like `on_init_start()` will never be invoked on the new callbacks returned here.

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### `configure_optimizers()`

Choose what optimizers and learning-rate schedulers to use in your optimization. Normally you'd need one. But in the case of GANs or similar you might have multiple.

#### Returns

Any of these 6 options.

- **Single optimizer.**
- **List or Tuple** of optimizers.
- **Two lists** - The first list has multiple optimizers, and the second has multiple LR schedulers (or multiple `lr_dict`).
- **Dictionary**, with an "optimizer" key, and (optionally) a "lr\_scheduler" key whose value is a single LR scheduler or `lr_dict`.
- **Tuple of dictionaries** as described above, with an optional "frequency" key.
- **None** - Fit will run without any optimizer.

---

**Note:** The `lr_dict` is a dictionary which contains the scheduler and its associated configuration. The default configuration is shown below.

```
lr_dict = {
    'scheduler': lr_scheduler, # The LR scheduler instance (required)
    # The unit of the scheduler's step size, could also be 'step'
    'interval': 'epoch',
    'frequency': 1, # The frequency of the scheduler
    'monitor': 'val_loss', # Metric for `ReduceLROnPlateau` to monitor
    'strict': True, # Whether to crash the training if `monitor` is not found
    'name': None, # Custom name for `LearningRateMonitor` to use
}
```

Only the "scheduler" key is required, the rest will be set to the defaults above.

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**Note:** The `frequency` value specified in a dict along with the `optimizer` key is an int corresponding to the number of sequential batches optimized with the specific optimizer. It should be given to none or to all of the optimizers. There is a difference between passing multiple optimizers in a list, and passing multiple optimizers in dictionaries with a frequency of 1: In the former case, all optimizers will operate on the given batch in each optimization step. In the latter, only one optimizer will operate on the given batch at every step. This is different from the `frequency` value specified in the `lr_dict` mentioned below.

```
def configure_optimizers(self):
    optimizer_one = torch.optim.SGD(self.model.parameters(), lr=0.01)
    optimizer_two = torch.optim.SGD(self.model.parameters(), lr=0.01)
    return [
        {'optimizer': optimizer_one, 'frequency': 5},
        {'optimizer': optimizer_two, 'frequency': 10},
    ]
```

In this example, the first optimizer will be used for the first 5 steps, the second optimizer for the next 10 steps and that cycle will continue. If an LR scheduler is specified for an optimizer using the `lr_scheduler` key in the above dict, the scheduler will only be updated when its optimizer is being used.

Examples:

```
# most cases
def configure_optimizers(self):
    return Adam(self.parameters(), lr=1e-3)

# multiple optimizer case (e.g.: GAN)
def configure_optimizers(self):
    gen_opt = Adam(self.model_gen.parameters(), lr=0.01)
    dis_opt = Adam(self.model_dis.parameters(), lr=0.02)
    return gen_opt, dis_opt

# example with learning rate schedulers
def configure_optimizers(self):
    gen_opt = Adam(self.model_gen.parameters(), lr=0.01)
    dis_opt = Adam(self.model_dis.parameters(), lr=0.02)
    dis_sch = CosineAnnealing(dis_opt, T_max=10)
    return [gen_opt, dis_opt], [dis_sch]

# example with step-based learning rate schedulers
def configure_optimizers(self):
    gen_opt = Adam(self.model_gen.parameters(), lr=0.01)
    dis_opt = Adam(self.model_dis.parameters(), lr=0.02)
    gen_sch = {'scheduler': ExponentialLR(gen_opt, 0.99),
              'interval': 'step'} # called after each training step
    dis_sch = CosineAnnealing(dis_opt, T_max=10) # called every epoch
    return [gen_opt, dis_opt], [gen_sch, dis_sch]

# example with optimizer frequencies
# see training procedure in `Improved Training of Wasserstein GANs`, ↵
# ↪ Algorithm 1
# https://arxiv.org/abs/1704.00028
def configure_optimizers(self):
    gen_opt = Adam(self.model_gen.parameters(), lr=0.01)
    dis_opt = Adam(self.model_dis.parameters(), lr=0.02)
    n_critic = 5
    return (
        {'optimizer': dis_opt, 'frequency': n_critic},
        {'optimizer': gen_opt, 'frequency': 1}
    )
```

**Note:** Some things to know:

- Lightning calls `.backward()` and `.step()` on each optimizer and learning rate scheduler as needed.
- If you use 16-bit precision (`precision=16`), Lightning will automatically handle the optimizers.
- If you use multiple optimizers, `training_step()` will have an additional `optimizer_idx` parameter.
- If you use `torch.optim.LBFGS`, Lightning handles the closure function automatically for you.

- If you use multiple optimizers, gradients will be calculated only for the parameters of current optimizer at each training step.
  - If you need to control how often those optimizers step or override the default `.step()` schedule, override the `optimizer_step()` hook.
- 

**forward** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Same as `torch.nn.Module.forward()`.

**Parameters**

- **\*args** – Whatever you decide to pass into the forward method.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments are also possible.

**Return type** Any

**Returns** Your model's output

**freeze** ()

Freeze all params for inference.

Example:

```
model = MyLightningModule(...)
model.freeze()
```

**Return type** None

**get\_progress\_bar\_dict** ()

Implement this to override the default items displayed in the progress bar. By default it includes the average loss value, split index of BPTT (if used) and the version of the experiment when using a logger.

```
Epoch 1:   4%|          | 40/1095 [00:03<01:37, 10.84it/s, loss=4.501, v_
↪ num=10]
```

Here is an example how to override the defaults:

```
def get_progress_bar_dict(self):
    # don't show the version number
    items = super().get_progress_bar_dict()
    items.pop("v_num", None)
    return items
```

**Return type** Dict[str, Union[int, str]]

**Returns** Dictionary with the items to be displayed in the progress bar.

**log** (name, value, prog\_bar=False, logger=True, on\_step=None, on\_epoch=None, reduce\_fx=torch.mean, tbptt\_reduce\_fx=torch.mean, tbptt\_pad\_token=0, enable\_graph=False, sync\_dist=False, sync\_dist\_op='mean', sync\_dist\_group=None, add\_data\_loader\_idx=True)

Log a key, value

Example:

```
self.log('train_loss', loss)
```

The default behavior per hook is as follows

Table 7: \* also applies to the test loop

LightningModule Hook	on_step	on_epoch	prog_bar	logger
training_step	T	F	F	T
training_step_end	T	F	F	T
training_epoch_end	F	T	F	T
validation_step*	F	T	F	T
validation_step_end*	F	T	F	T
validation_epoch_end*	F	T	F	T

### Parameters

- **name** *(str)* – key name
- **value** *(Any)* – value name
- **prog\_bar** *(bool)* – if True logs to the progress bar
- **logger** *(bool)* – if True logs to the logger
- **on\_step** *(Optional[bool])* – if True logs at this step. None auto-logs at the training\_step but not validation/test\_step
- **on\_epoch** *(Optional[bool])* – if True logs epoch accumulated metrics. None auto-logs at the val/test step but not training\_step
- **reduce\_fx** *(Callable)* – reduction function over step values for end of epoch. Torch.mean by default
- **tbptt\_reduce\_fx** *(Callable)* – function to reduce on truncated back prop
- **tbptt\_pad\_token** *(int)* – token to use for padding
- **enable\_graph** *(bool)* – if True, will not auto detach the graph
- **sync\_dist** *(bool)* – if True, reduces the metric across GPUs/TPUs
- **sync\_dist\_op** *(Union[Any, str])* – the op to sync across GPUs/TPUs
- **sync\_dist\_group** *(Optional[Any])* – the ddp group to sync across
- **add\_dataloader\_idx** *(bool)* – if True, appends the index of the current dataloader to the name (when using multiple). If False, user needs to give unique names for each dataloader to not mix values

**log\_dict** (dictionary, prog\_bar=False, logger=True, on\_step=None, on\_epoch=None, reduce\_fx=torch.mean, tbptt\_reduce\_fx=torch.mean, tbptt\_pad\_token=0, enable\_graph=False, sync\_dist=False, sync\_dist\_op='mean', sync\_dist\_group=None, add\_dataloader\_idx=True)

Log a dictionary of values at once

Example:

```
values = {'loss': loss, 'acc': acc, ..., 'metric_n': metric_n}
self.log_dict(values)
```

### Parameters

- **dictionary** *(dict)* – key value pairs (str, tensors)
- **prog\_bar** *(bool)* – if True logs to the progress base
- **logger** *(bool)* – if True logs to the logger

- `on_step` (Optional[bool]) – if True logs at this step. None auto-logs for training\_step but not validation/test\_step
- `on_epoch` (Optional[bool]) – if True logs epoch accumulated metrics. None auto-logs for val/test step but not training\_step
- `reduce_fx` (Callable) – reduction function over step values for end of epoch. Torch.mean by default
- `tbptt_reduce_fx` (Callable) – function to reduce on truncated back prop
- `tbptt_pad_token` (int) – token to use for padding
- `enable_graph` (bool) – if True, will not auto detach the graph
- `sync_dist` (bool) – if True, reduces the metric across GPUs/TPUs
- `sync_dist_op` (Union[Any, str]) – the op to sync across GPUs/TPUs
- `sync_dist_group` (Optional[Any]) – the ddp group sync across
- `add_dataloader_idx` (bool) – if True, appends the index of the current dataloader to the name (when using multiple). If False, user needs to give unique names for each dataloader to not mix values

**manual\_backward** (loss, optimizer=None, \*args, \*\*kwargs)

Call this directly from your training\_step when doing optimizations manually. By using this we can ensure that all the proper scaling when using 16-bit etc has been done for you.

This function forwards all args to the .backward() call as well.

See [manual optimization](#) for more examples.

Example:

```
def training_step(...):
    opt = self.optimizers()
    loss = ...
    opt.zero_grad()
    # automatically applies scaling, etc...
    self.manual_backward(loss)
    opt.step()
```

**Return type** None

**optimizer\_step** (epoch=None, batch\_idx=None, optimizer=None, optimizer\_idx=None, optimizer\_closure=None, on\_tpu=None, using\_native\_amp=None, using\_lbfgs=None)

Override this method to adjust the default way the [Trainer](#) calls each optimizer. By default, Lightning calls step() and zero\_grad() as shown in the example once per optimizer.

**Warning:** If you are overriding this method, make sure that you pass the optimizer\_closure parameter to optimizer.step() function as shown in the examples. This ensures that training\_step(), optimizer.zero\_grad(), backward() are called within run\_training\_batch().

**Parameters**

- `epoch` (Optional[int]) – Current epoch



- **batch\_idx** (Optional[int]) – Index of current batch
- **optimizer** (Optional[Optimizer]) – A PyTorch optimizer
- **optimizer\_idx** (Optional[int]) – If you used multiple optimizers, this indexes into that list.
- **optimizer\_closure** (Optional[Callable]) – Closure for all optimizers
- **on\_tpu** (Optional[bool]) – True if TPU backward is required
- **using\_native\_amp** (Optional[bool]) – True if using native amp
- **using\_lbfgs** (Optional[bool]) – True if the matching optimizer is `torch.optim.LBFGS`

Examples:

```
# DEFAULT
def optimizer_step(self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx,
                  optimizer_closure, on_tpu, using_native_amp, using_lbfgs):
    optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)

# Alternating schedule for optimizer steps (i.e.: GANs)
def optimizer_step(self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx,
                  optimizer_closure, on_tpu, using_native_amp, using_lbfgs):
    # update generator opt every step
    if optimizer_idx == 0:
        optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)

    # update discriminator opt every 2 steps
    if optimizer_idx == 1:
        if (batch_idx + 1) % 2 == 0 :
            optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)

    # ...
    # add as many optimizers as you want
```

Here’s another example showing how to use this for more advanced things such as learning rate warm-up:

```
# learning rate warm-up
def optimizer_step(self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx,
                  optimizer_closure, on_tpu, using_native_amp, using_lbfgs):
    # warm up lr
    if self.trainer.global_step < 500:
        lr_scale = min(1., float(self.trainer.global_step + 1) / 500.)
        for pg in optimizer.param_groups:
            pg['lr'] = lr_scale * self.learning_rate

    # update params
    optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)
```

**Return type** `None`

**optimizer\_zero\_grad** (*epoch, batch\_idx, optimizer, optimizer\_idx*)

Override this method to change the default behaviour of `optimizer.zero_grad()`.

**Parameters**

- **epoch** (int) – Current epoch

- **batch\_idx** (int) – Index of current batch
- **optimizer** (Optimizer) – A PyTorch optimizer
- **optimizer\_idx** (int) – If you used multiple optimizers this indexes into that list.

Examples:

```
# DEFAULT
def optimizer_zero_grad(self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx):
    optimizer.zero_grad()

# Set gradients to `None` instead of zero to improve performance.
def optimizer_zero_grad(self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx):
    optimizer.zero_grad(set_to_none=True)
```

See `torch.optim.Optimizer.zero_grad()` for the explanation of the above example.

**predict\_step** (batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx=None)

Step function called during `predict()`. By default, it calls `forward()`. Override to add any processing logic.

#### Parameters

- **batch** (Any) – Current batch
- **batch\_idx** (int) – Index of current batch
- **dataloader\_idx** (Optional[int]) – Index of the current dataloader

**Return type** Any

**Returns** Predicted output

**print** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Prints only from process 0. Use this in any distributed mode to log only once.

#### Parameters

- **\*args** – The thing to print. The same as for Python’s built-in print function.
- **\*\*kwargs** – The same as for Python’s built-in print function.

Example:

```
def forward(self, x):
    self.print(x, 'in forward')
```

**Return type** None

**save\_hyperparameters** (\*args, ignore=None, frame=None)

Save model arguments to `hparams` attribute.

#### Parameters

- **args** – single object of `dict`, `Namespace` or `OmegaConf` or string names or arguments from class `__init__`
- **ignore** (Union[Sequence[str], str, None]) – an argument name or a list of argument names from class `__init__` to be ignored
- **frame** (Optional[frame]) – a frame object. Default is None

Example::

```
>>> class ManuallyArgsModel(LightningModule):
...     def __init__(self, arg1, arg2, arg3):
...         super().__init__()
...         # manually assign arguments
...         self.save_hyperparameters('arg1', 'arg3')
...     def forward(self, *args, **kwargs):
...         ...
>>> model = ManuallyArgsModel(1, 'abc', 3.14)
>>> model.hparams
"arg1": 1
"arg3": 3.14
```

```
>>> class AutomaticArgsModel(LightningModule):
...     def __init__(self, arg1, arg2, arg3):
...         super().__init__()
...         # equivalent automatic
...         self.save_hyperparameters()
...     def forward(self, *args, **kwargs):
...         ...
>>> model = AutomaticArgsModel(1, 'abc', 3.14)
>>> model.hparams
"arg1": 1
"arg2": abc
"arg3": 3.14
```

```
>>> class SingleArgModel(LightningModule):
...     def __init__(self, params):
...         super().__init__()
...         # manually assign single argument
...         self.save_hyperparameters(params)
...     def forward(self, *args, **kwargs):
...         ...
>>> model = SingleArgModel(Namespace(p1=1, p2='abc', p3=3.14))
>>> model.hparams
"p1": 1
"p2": abc
"p3": 3.14
```

```
>>> class ManuallyArgsModel(LightningModule):
...     def __init__(self, arg1, arg2, arg3):
...         super().__init__()
...         # pass argument(s) to ignore as a string or in a list
...         self.save_hyperparameters(ignore='arg2')
...     def forward(self, *args, **kwargs):
...         ...
>>> model = ManuallyArgsModel(1, 'abc', 3.14)
>>> model.hparams
"arg1": 1
"arg3": 3.14
```

**Return type** `None`

**tbptt\_split\_batch** (*batch*, *split\_size*)

When using truncated backpropagation through time, each batch must be split along the time dimension. Lightning handles this by default, but for custom behavior override this function.

**Parameters**

- **batch** *(Tensor)* – Current batch
- **split\_size** *(int)* – The size of the split

**Return type** `list`

**Returns** List of batch splits. Each split will be passed to `training_step()` to enable truncated back propagation through time. The default implementation splits root level Tensors and Sequences at dim=1 (i.e. time dim). It assumes that each time dim is the same length.

Examples:

```
def tbptt_split_batch(self, batch, split_size):
    splits = []
    for t in range(0, time_dims[0], split_size):
        batch_split = []
        for i, x in enumerate(batch):
            if isinstance(x, torch.Tensor):
                split_x = x[:, t:t + split_size]
            elif isinstance(x, collections.Sequence):
                split_x = [None] * len(x)
                for batch_idx in range(len(x)):
                    split_x[batch_idx] = x[batch_idx][t:t + split_size]

            batch_split.append(split_x)

        splits.append(batch_split)

    return splits
```

---

**Note:** Called in the training loop after `on_batch_start()` if `truncated_bptt_steps > 0`. Each returned batch split is passed separately to `training_step()`.

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**test\_epoch\_end** (*outputs*)

Called at the end of a test epoch with the output of all test steps.

```
# the pseudocode for these calls
test_outs = []
for test_batch in test_data:
    out = test_step(test_batch)
    test_outs.append(out)
test_epoch_end(test_outs)
```

**Parameters** **outputs** *(List[Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]])* – List of outputs you defined in `test_step_end()`, or if there are multiple dataloaders, a list containing a list of outputs for each dataloader

**Return type** `None`**Returns** `None`

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**Note:** If you didn't define a `test_step()`, this won't be called.

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## Examples

With a single dataloader:

```
def test_epoch_end(self, outputs):
    # do something with the outputs of all test batches
    all_test_preds = test_step_outputs.predictions

    some_result = calc_all_results(all_test_preds)
    self.log(some_result)
```

With multiple dataloaders, *outputs* will be a list of lists. The outer list contains one entry per dataloader, while the inner list contains the individual outputs of each test step for that dataloader.

```
def test_epoch_end(self, outputs):
    final_value = 0
    for dataloader_outputs in outputs:
        for test_step_out in dataloader_outputs:
            # do something
            final_value += test_step_out

    self.log('final_metric', final_value)
```

**test\_step** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Operates on a single batch of data from the test set. In this step you'd normally generate examples or calculate anything of interest such as accuracy.

```
# the pseudocode for these calls
test_outs = []
for test_batch in test_data:
    out = test_step(test_batch)
    test_outs.append(out)
test_epoch_end(test_outs)
```

### Parameters

- **batch** *Tensor* | (*Tensor*, ...) | [*Tensor*, ...] – The output of your `Dataloader`. A tensor, tuple or list.
- **batch\_idx** (*int*) – The index of this batch.
- **dataloader\_idx** (*int*) – The index of the dataloader that produced this batch (only if multiple test dataloaders used).

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]`

### Returns

Any of.

- Any object or value
- None - Testing will skip to the next batch

```
# if you have one test dataloader:
def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx)

# if you have multiple test dataloaders:
def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)
```

Examples:

```
# CASE 1: A single test dataset
def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch

    # implement your own
    out = self(x)
    loss = self.loss(out, y)

    # log 6 example images
    # or generated text... or whatever
    sample_imgs = x[:6]
    grid = torchvision.utils.make_grid(sample_imgs)
    self.logger.experiment.add_image('example_images', grid, 0)

    # calculate acc
    labels_hat = torch.argmax(out, dim=1)
    test_acc = torch.sum(y == labels_hat).item() / (len(y) * 1.0)

    # log the outputs!
    self.log_dict({'test_loss': loss, 'test_acc': test_acc})
```

If you pass in multiple test dataloaders, `test_step()` will have an additional argument.

```
# CASE 2: multiple test dataloaders
def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx):
    # dataloader_idx tells you which dataset this is.
```

---

**Note:** If you don't need to test you don't need to implement this method.

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---

**Note:** When the `test_step()` is called, the model has been put in eval mode and PyTorch gradients have been disabled. At the end of the test epoch, the model goes back to training mode and gradients are enabled.

---

**test\_step\_end** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Use this when testing with dp or ddp2 because `test_step()` will operate on only part of the batch. However, this is still optional and only needed for things like softmax or NCE loss.

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**Note:** If you later switch to ddp or some other mode, this will still be called so that you don't have to change your code.

---

```
# pseudocode
sub_batches = split_batches_for_dp(batch)
batch_parts_outputs = [test_step(sub_batch) for sub_batch in sub_batches]
test_step_end(batch_parts_outputs)
```

**Parameters** `batch_parts_outputs` – What you return in `test_step()` for each batch part.

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]`

**Returns** None or anything

```

# WITHOUT test_step_end
# if used in DP or DDP2, this batch is 1/num_gpus large
def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # batch is 1/num_gpus big
    x, y = batch

    out = self(x)
    loss = self.softmax(out)
    self.log('test_loss', loss)

# -----
# with test_step_end to do softmax over the full batch
def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # batch is 1/num_gpus big
    x, y = batch

    out = self.encoder(x)
    return out

def test_step_end(self, output_results):
    # this out is now the full size of the batch
    all_test_step_outs = output_results.out
    loss = nce_loss(all_test_step_outs)
    self.log('test_loss', loss)

```

**See also:**

See the [Multi-GPU training](#) guide for more details.

**to\_onnx** (*file\_path*, *input\_sample=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Saves the model in ONNX format

**Parameters**

- **file\_path** [\[Union\[str, Path\]\]](#) – The path of the file the onnx model should be saved to.
- **input\_sample** [\[Optional\[Any\]\]](#) – An input for tracing. Default: None (Use `self.example_input_array`)
- **\*\*kwargs** [\[dict\]](#) – Will be passed to `torch.onnx.export` function.

**Example**

```

>>> class SimpleModel(LightningModule):
...     def __init__(self):
...         super().__init__()
...         self.l1 = torch.nn.Linear(in_features=64, out_features=4)
...
...     def forward(self, x):
...         return torch.relu(self.l1(x.view(x.size(0), -1)))

>>> with tempfile.NamedTemporaryFile(suffix='.onnx', delete=False) as tmpfile:
...     model = SimpleModel()
...     input_sample = torch.randn((1, 64))
...     model.to_onnx(tmpfile.name, input_sample, export_params=True)
...     os.path.isfile(tmpfile.name)
True

```

**to\_torchscript** (*file\_path=None, method='script', example\_inputs=None, \*\*kwargs*)

By default compiles the whole model to a `ScriptModule`. If you want to use tracing, please provided the argument `method='trace'` and make sure that either the `example_inputs` argument is provided, or the model has `self.example_input_array` set. If you would like to customize the modules that are scripted you should override this method. In case you want to return multiple modules, we recommend using a dictionary.

#### Parameters

- **file\_path** `[Union[str, Path, None]]` – Path where to save the torchscript. Default: None (no file saved).
- **method** `[Optional[str]]` – Whether to use TorchScript's script or trace method. Default: 'script'
- **example\_inputs** `[Optional[Any]]` – An input to be used to do tracing when method is set to 'trace'. Default: None (Use `self.example_input_array`)
- **\*\*kwargs** – Additional arguments that will be passed to the `torch.jit.script()` or `torch.jit.trace()` function.

---

#### Note:

- Requires the implementation of the `forward()` method.
  - The exported script will be set to evaluation mode.
  - It is recommended that you install the latest supported version of PyTorch to use this feature without limitations. See also the `torch.jit` documentation for supported features.
- 

#### Example

```
>>> class SimpleModel(LightningModule):
...     def __init__(self):
...         super().__init__()
...         self.l1 = torch.nn.Linear(in_features=64, out_features=4)
...
...     def forward(self, x):
...         return torch.relu(self.l1(x.view(x.size(0), -1)))
...
>>> model = SimpleModel()
>>> torch.jit.save(model.to_torchscript(), "model.pt")
>>> os.path.isfile("model.pt")
>>> torch.jit.save(model.to_torchscript(file_path="model_trace.pt", method=
↪ 'trace',
...                                     example_inputs=torch.randn(1, 64)))
>>> os.path.isfile("model_trace.pt")
True
```

**Return type** `Union[ScriptModule, Dict[str, ScriptModule]]`

**Returns** This `LightningModule` as a torchscript, regardless of whether `file_path` is defined or not.

**toggle\_optimizer** (*optimizer, optimizer\_idx*)

Makes sure only the gradients of the current optimizer's parameters are calculated in the training step to prevent dangling gradients in multiple-optimizer setup.



---

**Note:** Only called when using multiple optimizers

---

Override for your own behavior

It works with `untoggle_optimizer` to make sure `param_requires_grad_state` is properly reset.

#### Parameters

- **optimizer** (Optimizer) – Current optimizer used in `training_loop`
- **optimizer\_idx** (int) – Current optimizer idx in `training_loop`

#### `training_epoch_end` (outputs)

Called at the end of the training epoch with the outputs of all training steps. Use this in case you need to do something with all the outputs for every `training_step`.

```
# the pseudocode for these calls
train_outs = []
for train_batch in train_data:
    out = training_step(train_batch)
    train_outs.append(out)
training_epoch_end(train_outs)
```

**Parameters** **outputs** (List[Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]]) – List of outputs you defined in `training_step()`, or if there are multiple dataloaders, a list containing a list of outputs for each dataloader.

**Return type** None

**Returns** None

---

**Note:** If this method is not overridden, this won't be called.

---

Example:

```
def training_epoch_end(self, training_step_outputs):
    # do something with all training_step outputs
    return result
```

With multiple dataloaders, `outputs` will be a list of lists. The outer list contains one entry per dataloader, while the inner list contains the individual outputs of each training step for that dataloader.

```
def training_epoch_end(self, training_step_outputs):
    for out in training_step_outputs:
        # do something here
```

#### `training_step` (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Here you compute and return the training loss and some additional metrics for e.g. the progress bar or logger.

#### Parameters

- **batch** (Tensor | (Tensor, ...) | [Tensor, ...]) – The output of your `Dataloader`. A tensor, tuple or list.
- **batch\_idx** (int) – Integer displaying index of this batch

- **optimizer\_idx** (int) – When using multiple optimizers, this argument will also be present.
- **hiddens** (Tensor) – Passed in if `truncated_bptt_steps > 0`.

**Return type** Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]

#### Returns

Any of.

- `Tensor` - The loss tensor
- `dict` - A dictionary. Can include any keys, but must include the key 'loss'
- `None` - Training will skip to the next batch

---

**Note:** Returning `None` is currently not supported for multi-GPU or TPU, or with 16-bit precision enabled.

---

In this step you'd normally do the forward pass and calculate the loss for a batch. You can also do fancier things like multiple forward passes or something model specific.

Example:

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y, z = batch
    out = self.encoder(x)
    loss = self.loss(out, x)
    return loss
```

If you define multiple optimizers, this step will be called with an additional `optimizer_idx` parameter.

```
# Multiple optimizers (e.g.: GANs)
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx, optimizer_idx):
    if optimizer_idx == 0:
        # do training_step with encoder
    if optimizer_idx == 1:
        # do training_step with decoder
```

If you add truncated back propagation through time you will also get an additional argument with the hidden states of the previous step.

```
# Truncated back-propagation through time
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx, hiddens):
    # hiddens are the hidden states from the previous truncated backprop step
    ...
    out, hiddens = self.lstm(data, hiddens)
    ...
    return {'loss': loss, 'hiddens': hiddens}
```

---

**Note:** The loss value shown in the progress bar is smoothed (averaged) over the last values, so it differs from the actual loss returned in train/validation step.

---

**training\_step\_end** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Use this when training with `dp` or `ddp2` because `training_step()` will operate on only part of the batch. However, this is still optional and only needed for things like softmax or NCE loss.

**Note:** If you later switch to ddp or some other mode, this will still be called so that you don't have to change your code

```
# pseudocode
sub_batches = split_batches_for_dp(batch)
batch_parts_outputs = [training_step(sub_batch) for sub_batch in sub_batches]
training_step_end(batch_parts_outputs)
```

**Parameters** `batch_parts_outputs` – What you return in `training_step` for each batch part.

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]`

**Returns** Anything

When using dp/ddp2 distributed backends, only a portion of the batch is inside the `training_step`:

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # batch is 1/num_gpus big
    x, y = batch

    out = self(x)

    # softmax uses only a portion of the batch in the denomintaor
    loss = self.softmax(out)
    loss = nce_loss(loss)
    return loss
```

If you wish to do something with all the parts of the batch, then use this method to do it:

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # batch is 1/num_gpus big
    x, y = batch

    out = self.encoder(x)
    return {'pred': out}

def training_step_end(self, training_step_outputs):
    gpu_0_pred = training_step_outputs[0]['pred']
    gpu_1_pred = training_step_outputs[1]['pred']
    gpu_n_pred = training_step_outputs[n]['pred']

    # this softmax now uses the full batch
    loss = nce_loss([gpu_0_pred, gpu_1_pred, gpu_n_pred])
    return loss
```

**See also:**

See the [Multi-GPU training](#) guide for more details.

**unfreeze()**

Unfreeze all parameters for training.

```
model = MyLightningModule(...)
model.unfreeze()
```

**Return type** `None`

**untoggle\_optimizer** (*optimizer\_idx*)

---

**Note:** Only called when using multiple optimizers

---

Override for your own behavior

**Parameters** *optimizer\_idx* (`int`) – Current optimizer idx in training\_loop

**validation\_epoch\_end** (*outputs*)

Called at the end of the validation epoch with the outputs of all validation steps.

```
# the pseudocode for these calls
val_outs = []
for val_batch in val_data:
    out = validation_step(val_batch)
    val_outs.append(out)
validation_epoch_end(val_outs)
```

**Parameters** *outputs* (`List[Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any]]]`) – List of outputs you defined in `validation_step()`, or if there are multiple dataloaders, a list containing a list of outputs for each dataloader.

**Return type** `None`

**Returns** `None`

---

**Note:** If you didn't define a `validation_step()`, this won't be called.

---

## Examples

With a single dataloader:

```
def validation_epoch_end(self, val_step_outputs):
    for out in val_step_outputs:
        # do something
```

With multiple dataloaders, *outputs* will be a list of lists. The outer list contains one entry per dataloader, while the inner list contains the individual outputs of each validation step for that dataloader.

```
def validation_epoch_end(self, outputs):
    for dataloader_output_result in outputs:
        dataloader_outs = dataloader_output_result.dataloader_i_outputs

    self.log('final_metric', final_value)
```

**validation\_step** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Operates on a single batch of data from the validation set. In this step you'd might generate examples or calculate anything of interest like accuracy.

```
# the pseudocode for these calls
val_outs = []
for val_batch in val_data:
    out = validation_step(val_batch)
    val_outs.append(out)
validation_epoch_end(val_outs)
```

### Parameters

- **batch** (Tensor | (Tensor, ...) | [Tensor, ...]) – The output of your DataLoader. A tensor, tuple or list.
- **batch\_idx** (int) – The index of this batch
- **dataloader\_idx** (int) – The index of the dataloader that produced this batch (only if multiple val dataloaders used)

**Return type** Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]

### Returns

Any of.

- Any object or value
- None - Validation will skip to the next batch

```
# pseudocode of order
val_outs = []
for val_batch in val_data:
    out = validation_step(val_batch)
    if defined('validation_step_end'):
        out = validation_step_end(out)
    val_outs.append(out)
val_outs = validation_epoch_end(val_outs)
```

```
# if you have one val dataloader:
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx)

# if you have multiple val dataloaders:
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)
```

### Examples:

```
# CASE 1: A single validation dataset
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch

    # implement your own
    out = self(x)
    loss = self.loss(out, y)

    # log 6 example images
    # or generated text... or whatever
    sample_imgs = x[:6]
    grid = torchvision.utils.make_grid(sample_imgs)
    self.logger.experiment.add_image('example_images', grid, 0)
```

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```
# calculate acc
labels_hat = torch.argmax(out, dim=1)
val_acc = torch.sum(y == labels_hat).item() / (len(y) * 1.0)

# log the outputs!
self.log_dict({'val_loss': loss, 'val_acc': val_acc})
```

If you pass in multiple val dataloaders, `validation_step()` will have an additional argument.

```
# CASE 2: multiple validation dataloaders
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx):
    # dataloader_idx tells you which dataset this is.
```

---

**Note:** If you don't need to validate you don't need to implement this method.

---



---

**Note:** When the `validation_step()` is called, the model has been put in eval mode and PyTorch gradients have been disabled. At the end of validation, the model goes back to training mode and gradients are enabled.

---

**validation\_step\_end** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Use this when validating with dp or ddp2 because `validation_step()` will operate on only part of the batch. However, this is still optional and only needed for things like softmax or NCE loss.

---

**Note:** If you later switch to ddp or some other mode, this will still be called so that you don't have to change your code.

---

```
# pseudocode
sub_batches = split_batches_for_dp(batch)
batch_parts_outputs = [validation_step(sub_batch) for sub_batch in sub_
    ↪ batches]
validation_step_end(batch_parts_outputs)
```

**Parameters** `batch_parts_outputs` – What you return in `validation_step()` for each batch part.

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Dict[str, Any], None]`

**Returns** None or anything

```
# WITHOUT validation_step_end
# if used in DP or DDP2, this batch is 1/num_gpus large
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # batch is 1/num_gpus big
    x, y = batch

    out = self.encoder(x)
    loss = self.softmax(out)
    loss = nce_loss(loss)
    self.log('val_loss', loss)
```

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```
# -----
# with validation_step_end to do softmax over the full batch
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # batch is 1/num_gpus big
    x, y = batch

    out = self(x)
    return out

def validation_step_end(self, val_step_outputs):
    for out in val_step_outputs:
        # do something with these
```

**See also:**

See the *Multi-GPU training* guide for more details.

**write\_prediction** (*name*, *value*, *filename*='predictions.pt')

Write predictions to disk using `torch.save`

Example:

```
self.write_prediction('pred', torch.tensor(...), filename='my_predictions.pt')
```

**Parameters**

- **name** (str) – a string indicating the name to save the predictions under
- **value** (Union[`Tensor`, `List[Tensor]`]) – the predictions, either a single `Tensor` or a list of them
- **filename** (str) – name of the file to save the predictions to

---

**Note:** when running in distributed mode, calling `write_prediction` will create a file for each device with respective names: `filename_rank_0.pt`, `filename_rank_1.pt`,...

---

**write\_prediction\_dict** (*predictions\_dict*, *filename*='predictions.pt')

Write a dictionary of predictions to disk at once using `torch.save`

Example:

```
pred_dict = {'pred1': torch.tensor(...), 'pred2': torch.tensor(...)}
self.write_prediction_dict(pred_dict)
```

**Parameters** **predictions\_dict** (Dict[str, Any]) – dict containing predictions, where each prediction should either be single `Tensor` or a list of them

---

**Note:** when running in distributed mode, calling `write_prediction_dict` will create a file for each device with respective names: `filename_rank_0.pt`, `filename_rank_1.pt`,...

---

**property** **automatic\_optimization**

If `False` you are responsible for calling `.backward`, `.step`, `zero_grad`.

**Return type** `bool`

**property** `current_epoch`

The current epoch

**Return type** `int`

**property** `global_rank`

The index of the current process across all nodes and devices.

**Return type** `int`

**property** `global_step`

Total training batches seen across all epochs

**Return type** `int`

**property** `local_rank`

The index of the current process within a single node.

**Return type** `int`

**property** `logger`

Reference to the logger object in the Trainer.

**property** `on_gpu`

True if your model is currently running on GPUs. Useful to set flags around the LightningModule for different CPU vs GPU behavior.

**property** `precision`

The precision used

**property** `trainer`

Pointer to the trainer object

**property** `truncated_bptt_steps`

Truncated back prop breaks performs backprop every k steps of much a longer sequence. If this is > 0, the training step is passed `hiddens`.

**Type** `truncated_bptt_steps`

**Return type** `int`

**property** `use_amp`

True if using amp

## 16.3 Callbacks API

<i>base</i>	Abstract base class used to build new callbacks.
<i>early_stopping</i>	Early Stopping
<i>gpu_stats_monitor</i>	GPU Stats Monitor
<i>gradient_accumulation_scheduler</i>	Gradient Accumulator
<i>lr_monitor</i>	Learning Rate Monitor
<i>model_checkpoint</i>	Model Checkpointing
<i>progress</i>	Progress Bars



### 16.3.1 base

#### Classes

<i>Callback</i>	Abstract base class used to build new callbacks.
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Abstract base class used to build new callbacks.

**class** `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Bases: `abc.ABC`

Abstract base class used to build new callbacks.

Subclass this class and override any of the relevant hooks

**on\_after\_backward** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called after `loss.backward()` and before optimizers do anything.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the training batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_batch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the training batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_before\_accelerator\_backend\_setup** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called before accelerator is being setup

**Return type** `None`

**on\_before\_zero\_grad** (*trainer, pl\_module, optimizer*)

Called after `optimizer.step()` and before `optimizer.zero_grad()`.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_configure\_sharded\_model** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called before configure sharded model

**Return type** `None`

**on\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when either of train/val/test epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when either of train/val/test epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_fit\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when fit ends

**Return type** `None`

**on\_fit\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when fit begins

**Return type** `None`

**on\_init\_end** (*trainer*)

Called when the trainer initialization ends, model has not yet been set.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_init\_start** (*trainer*)

Called when the trainer initialization begins, model has not yet been set.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_keyboard\_interrupt** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the training is interrupted by KeyboardInterrupt.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_load\_checkpoint** (*trainer, pl\_module, callback\_state*)

Called when loading a model checkpoint, use to reload state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** (*Trainer*) – the current *Trainer* instance.
- **pl\_module** (*LightningModule*) – the current *LightningModule* instance.
- **callback\_state** (*Dict[str, Any]*) – the callback state returned by `on_save_checkpoint`.

---

**Note:** The `on_load_checkpoint` won't be called with an undefined state. If your `on_load_checkpoint` hook behavior doesn't rely on a state, you will still need to override `on_save_checkpoint` to return a dummy state.

---

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the predict batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_batch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the predict batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when predict ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs*)

Called when the predict epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the predict epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_predict\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the predict begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_pretrain\_routine\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the pretrain routine ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_pretrain\_routine\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the pretrain routine begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_sanity\_check\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the validation sanity check ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_sanity\_check\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the validation sanity check starts.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_save\_checkpoint** (*trainer, pl\_module, checkpoint*)

Called when saving a model checkpoint, use to persist state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** `(Trainer)` – the current `Trainer` instance.
- **pl\_module** `(LightningModule)` – the current `LightningModule` instance.
- **checkpoint** `(Dict[str, Any])` – the checkpoint dictionary that will be saved.

**Return type** `dict`

**Returns** The callback state.

**on\_test\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the test batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_batch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the test batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the test ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the test epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the test epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_test\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the test begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the train batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_batch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)  
Called when the train batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the train ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, unused=None*)  
Called when the train epoch ends.

To access all batch outputs at the end of the epoch, either:

1. Implement *training\_epoch\_end* in the *LightningModule* and access outputs via the module OR
2. Cache data across train batch hooks inside the callback implementation to post-process in this hook.

**on\_train\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the train epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_train\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the train begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)  
Called when the validation batch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_batch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)  
Called when the validation batch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the validation loop ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the val epoch ends.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the val epoch begins.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the validation loop begins.

**Return type** `None`

**setup** (*trainer, pl\_module, stage=None*)  
Called when fit, validate, test, predict, or tune begins

**Return type** `None`

**teardown** (*trainer, pl\_module, stage=None*)  
 Called when fit, validate, test, predict, or tune ends

**Return type** `None`

## 16.3.2 early\_stopping

### Classes

<i>EarlyStopping</i>	Monitor a metric and stop training when it stops improving.
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### Early Stopping

Monitor a metric and stop training when it stops improving.

```
class pytorch_lightning.callbacks.early_stopping.EarlyStopping(monitor='early_stop_on',
                                                             min_delta=0.0,
                                                             patience=3,
                                                             verbose=False,
                                                             mode='min',
                                                             strict=True,
                                                             check_finite=True,
                                                             stop-
                                                             ping_threshold=None,
                                                             diver-
                                                             gence_threshold=None,
                                                             check_on_train_epoch_end=False)
```

Bases: *pytorch\_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback*

Monitor a metric and stop training when it stops improving.

#### Parameters

- **monitor** `(str)` – quantity to be monitored.
- **min\_delta** `(float)` – minimum change in the monitored quantity to qualify as an improvement, i.e. an absolute change of less than *min\_delta*, will count as no improvement.
- **patience** `(int)` – number of checks with no improvement after which training will be stopped. Under the default configuration, one check happens after every training epoch. However, the frequency of validation can be modified by setting various parameters on the Trainer, for example `check_val_every_n_epoch` and `val_check_interval`.

---

**Note:** It must be noted that the patience parameter counts the number of validation checks with no improvement, and not the number of training epochs. Therefore, with parameters `check_val_every_n_epoch=10` and `patience=3`, the trainer will perform at least 40 training epochs before being stopped.

---

- **verbose** `(bool)` – verbosity mode.
- **mode** `(str)` – one of 'min', 'max'. In 'min' mode, training will stop when the quantity monitored has stopped decreasing and in 'max' mode it will stop when the quantity monitored has stopped increasing.

- **strict** (bool) – whether to crash the training if *monitor* is not found in the validation metrics.
- **check\_finite** (bool) – When set True, stops training when the monitor becomes NaN or infinite.
- **stopping\_threshold** (Optional[float]) – Stop training immediately once the monitored quantity reaches this threshold.
- **divergence\_threshold** (Optional[float]) – Stop training as soon as the monitored quantity becomes worse than this threshold.
- **check\_on\_train\_epoch\_end** (bool) – whether to run early stopping at the end of the training epoch. If this is False, then the check runs at the end of the validation epoch.

**Raises**

- **MisconfigurationException** – If mode is none of "min" or "max".
- **RuntimeError** – If the metric monitor is not available.

Example:

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import EarlyStopping
>>> early_stopping = EarlyStopping('val_loss')
>>> trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[early_stopping])
```

**on\_load\_checkpoint** (*callback\_state*)

Called when loading a model checkpoint, use to reload state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** – the current `Trainer` instance.
- **pl\_module** – the current `LightningModule` instance.
- **callback\_state** (Dict[str, Any]) – the callback state returned by `on_save_checkpoint`.

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**Note:** The `on_load_checkpoint` won't be called with an undefined state. If your `on_load_checkpoint` hook behavior doesn't rely on a state, you will still need to override `on_save_checkpoint` to return a dummy state.

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**Return type** None

**on\_save\_checkpoint** (*trainer, pl\_module, checkpoint*)

Called when saving a model checkpoint, use to persist state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** – the current `Trainer` instance.
- **pl\_module** – the current `LightningModule` instance.
- **checkpoint** (Dict[str, Any]) – the checkpoint dictionary that will be saved.

**Return type** Dict[str, Any]

**Returns** The callback state.

**on\_train\_epoch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the train epoch ends.

To access all batch outputs at the end of the epoch, either:

1. Implement *training\_epoch\_end* in the *LightningModule* and access outputs via the module OR
2. Cache data across train batch hooks inside the callback implementation to post-process in this hook.

**Return type** `None`

**on\_validation\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the validation loop ends.

**Return type** `None`

### 16.3.3 gpu\_stats\_monitor

#### Classes

<i>GPUSStatsMonitor</i>	Automatically monitors and logs GPU stats during training stage.
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#### GPU Stats Monitor

Monitor and logs GPU stats during training.

**class** `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.gpu_stats_monitor.GPUSStatsMonitor` (*memory\_utilization=True, gpu\_utilization=True, intra\_step\_time=False, inter\_step\_time=False, fan\_speed=False, temperature=False*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Automatically monitors and logs GPU stats during training stage. `GPUSStatsMonitor` is a callback and in order to use it you need to assign a logger in the Trainer.

#### Parameters

- **memory\_utilization** `(bool)` – Set to `True` to monitor used, free and percentage of memory utilization at the start and end of each step. Default: `True`.
- **gpu\_utilization** `(bool)` – Set to `True` to monitor percentage of GPU utilization at the start and end of each step. Default: `True`.
- **intra\_step\_time** `(bool)` – Set to `True` to monitor the time of each step. Default: `False`.
- **inter\_step\_time** `(bool)` – Set to `True` to monitor the time between the end of one step and the start of the next step. Default: `False`.
- **fan\_speed** `(bool)` – Set to `True` to monitor percentage of fan speed. Default: `False`.

- **temperature** (bool) – Set to True to monitor the memory and gpu temperature in degree Celsius. Default: False.

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If NVIDIA driver is not installed, not running on GPUs, or Trainer has no logger.

Example:

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import GPUStatsMonitor
>>> gpu_stats = GPUStatsMonitor()
>>> trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[gpu_stats])
```

GPU stats are mainly based on `nvidia-smi --query-gpu` command. The description of the queries is as follows:

- **fan.speed** – The fan speed value is the percent of maximum speed that the device’s fan is currently intended to run at. It ranges from 0 to 100 %. Note: The reported speed is the intended fan speed. If the fan is physically blocked and unable to spin, this output will not match the actual fan speed. Many parts do not report fan speeds because they rely on cooling via fans in the surrounding enclosure.
- **memory.used** – Total memory allocated by active contexts.
- **memory.free** – Total free memory.
- **utilization.gpu** – Percent of time over the past sample period during which one or more kernels was executing on the GPU. The sample period may be between 1 second and 1/6 second depending on the product.
- **utilization.memory** – Percent of time over the past sample period during which global (device) memory was being read or written. The sample period may be between 1 second and 1/6 second depending on the product.
- **temperature.gpu** – Core GPU temperature, in degrees C.
- **temperature.memory** – HBM memory temperature, in degrees C.

**on\_train\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)  
Called when the train batch ends.

**Return type** None

**on\_train\_batch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)  
Called when the train batch begins.

**Return type** None

**on\_train\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the train epoch begins.

**Return type** None

**on\_train\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)  
Called when the train begins.

**Return type** None



### 16.3.4 gradient\_accumulation\_scheduler

#### Classes

<i>GradientAccumulationScheduler</i>	Change gradient accumulation factor according to scheduling.
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#### Gradient Accumulator

Change gradient accumulation factor according to scheduling. Trainer also calls `optimizer.step()` for the last indivisible step number.

**class** `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.gradient_accumulation_scheduler.GradientAccumulationScheduler`

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Change gradient accumulation factor according to scheduling.

**Parameters** `scheduling` (Dict[int, int]) – scheduling in format {epoch: accumulation\_factor}

#### Raises

- **TypeError** – If scheduling is an empty dict, or not all keys and values of scheduling are integers.
- **IndexError** – If `minimal_epoch` is less than 0.

Example:

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import GradientAccumulationScheduler

# at epoch 5 start accumulating every 2 batches
>>> accumulator = GradientAccumulationScheduler(scheduling={5: 2})
>>> trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[accumulator])

# alternatively, pass the scheduling dict directly to the Trainer
>>> trainer = Trainer(accumulate_grad_batches={5: 2})
```

**on\_train\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the train epoch begins.

### 16.3.5 lr\_monitor

#### Classes

<i>LearningRateMonitor</i>	Automatically monitor and logs learning rate for learning rate schedulers during training.
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## Learning Rate Monitor

Monitor and logs learning rate for lr schedulers during training.

**class** `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.lr_monitor.LearningRateMonitor` (*logging\_interval=None*,  
*log\_momentum=False*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Automatically monitor and logs learning rate for learning rate schedulers during training.

### Parameters

- **logging\_interval** (*Optional[str]*) – set to 'epoch' or 'step' to log lr of all optimizers at the same interval, set to None to log at individual interval according to the interval key of each scheduler. Defaults to None.
- **log\_momentum** (*bool*) – option to also log the momentum values of the optimizer, if the optimizer has the momentum or betas attribute. Defaults to False.

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If logging\_interval is none of "step", "epoch", or None.

Example:

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import LearningRateMonitor
>>> lr_monitor = LearningRateMonitor(logging_interval='step')
>>> trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[lr_monitor])
```

Logging names are automatically determined based on optimizer class name. In case of multiple optimizers of same type, they will be named Adam, Adam-1 etc. If a optimizer has multiple parameter groups they will be named Adam/pg1, Adam/pg2 etc. To control naming, pass in a name keyword in the construction of the learning rate schedulers

Example:

```
def configure_optimizer(self):
    optimizer = torch.optim.Adam(...)
    lr_scheduler = {
        'scheduler': torch.optim.lr_scheduler.LambdaLR(optimizer, ...)
        'name': 'my_logging_name'
    }
    return [optimizer], [lr_scheduler]
```

**on\_train\_batch\_start** (*trainer, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Called when the train batch begins.

**on\_train\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Called when the train epoch begins.

**on\_train\_start** (*trainer, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Called before training, determines unique names for all lr schedulers in the case of multiple of the same type or in the case of multiple parameter groups

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If Trainer has no logger.

### 16.3.6 model\_checkpoint

#### Classes

<i>ModelCheckpoint</i>	Save the model periodically by monitoring a quantity.
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#### Model Checkpointing

Automatically save model checkpoints during training.

```
class pytorch_lightning.callbacks.model_checkpoint.ModelCheckpoint (dirpath=None,
                                                                    file-
                                                                    name=None,
                                                                    moni-
                                                                    tor=None,
                                                                    ver-
                                                                    bose=False,
                                                                    save_last=None,
                                                                    save_top_k=None,
                                                                    save_weights_only=False,
                                                                    mode='min',
                                                                    auto_insert_metric_name=True,
                                                                    ev-
                                                                    ery_n_train_steps=None,
                                                                    ev-
                                                                    ery_n_val_epochs=None,
                                                                    pe-
                                                                    riod=None)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Save the model periodically by monitoring a quantity. Every metric logged with `log()` or `log_dict()` in `LightningModule` is a candidate for the monitor key. For more information, see [Saving and loading weights](#).

After training finishes, use `best_model_path` to retrieve the path to the best checkpoint file and `best_model_score` to retrieve its score.

#### Parameters

- **dirpath** `Union[str, Path, None]` – directory to save the model file.

Example:

```
# custom path
# saves a file like: my/path/epoch=0-step=10.ckpt
>>> checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath='my/path/')
```

By default, `dirpath` is `None` and will be set at runtime to the location specified by `Trainer`'s `default_root_dir` or `weights_save_path` arguments, and if the `Trainer` uses a logger, the path will also contain logger name and version.

- **filename** `Optional[str]` – checkpoint filename. Can contain named formatting options to be auto-filled.

Example:

```
# save any arbitrary metrics like `val_loss`, etc. in name
# saves a file like: my/path/epoch=2-val_loss=0.02-other_metric=0.
# 03.ckpt
>>> checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(
...     dirpath='my/path',
...     filename='{epoch}-{val_loss:.2f}-{other_metric:.2f}'
... )
```

By default, filename is None and will be set to '{epoch}-{step}'.

- **monitor** (Optional[str]) – quantity to monitor. By default it is None which saves a checkpoint only for the last epoch.
- **verbose** (bool) – verbosity mode. Default: False.
- **save\_last** (Optional[bool]) – When True, always saves the model at the end of the epoch to a file *last.ckpt*. Default: None.
- **save\_top\_k** (Optional[int]) – if `save_top_k == k`, the best `k` models according to the quantity monitored will be saved. if `save_top_k == 0`, no models are saved. if `save_top_k == -1`, all models are saved. Please note that the monitors are checked every period epochs. if `save_top_k >= 2` and the callback is called multiple times inside an epoch, the name of the saved file will be appended with a version count starting with `v1`.
- **mode** (str) – one of {min, max}. If `save_top_k != 0`, the decision to overwrite the current save file is made based on either the maximization or the minimization of the monitored quantity. For 'val\_acc', this should be 'max', for 'val\_loss' this should be 'min', etc.
- **save\_weights\_only** (bool) – if True, then only the model's weights will be saved (`model.save_weights(filepath)`), else the full model is saved (`model.save(filepath)`).
- **every\_n\_train\_steps** (Optional[int]) – Number of training steps between checkpoints. If `every_n_train_steps == None` or `every_n_train_steps == 0`, we skip saving during training To disable, set `every_n_train_steps = 0`. This value must be None non-negative. This must be mutually exclusive with `every_n_val_epochs`.
- **every\_n\_val\_epochs** (Optional[int]) – Number of validation epochs between checkpoints. If `every_n_val_epochs == None` or `every_n_val_epochs == 0`, we skip saving on validation end To disable, set `every_n_val_epochs = 0`. This value must be None or non-negative. This must be mutually exclusive with `every_n_train_steps`. Setting both `ModelCheckpoint(..., every_n_val_epochs=V)` and `Trainer(max_epochs=N, check_val_every_n_epoch=M)` will only save checkpoints at epochs  $0 < E \leq N$  where both values for `every_n_val_epochs` and `check_val_every_n_epoch` evenly divide `E`.
- **period** (Optional[int]) – Interval (number of epochs) between checkpoints.

**Warning:** This argument has been deprecated in v1.3 and will be removed in v1.5.

Use `every_n_val_epochs` instead.

**Note:** For extra customization, ModelCheckpoint includes the following attributes:

- `CHECKPOINT_JOIN_CHAR` = `"-"`
- `CHECKPOINT_NAME_LAST` = `"last"`
- `FILE_EXTENSION` = `".ckpt"`
- `STARTING_VERSION` = `1`

For example, you can change the default last checkpoint name by doing `checkpoint_callback.CHECKPOINT_NAME_LAST = "{epoch}-last"`

### Raises

- **`MisconfigurationException`** – If `save_top_k` is neither `None` nor more than or equal to `-1`, if `monitor` is `None` and `save_top_k` is none of `None`, `-1`, and `0`, or if `mode` is none of `"min"` or `"max"`.
- **`ValueError`** – If `trainer.save_checkpoint` is `None`.

Example:

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import ModelCheckpoint

# saves checkpoints to 'my/path/' at every epoch
>>> checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath='my/path/')
>>> trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[checkpoint_callback])

# save epoch and val_loss in name
# saves a file like: my/path/sample-mnist-epoch=02-val_loss=0.32.ckpt
>>> checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(
...     monitor='val_loss',
...     dirpath='my/path/',
...     filename='sample-mnist-{epoch:02d}-{val_loss:.2f}'
... )

# save epoch and val_loss in name, but specify the formatting yourself (e.g. to_
→avoid problems with Tensorboard
# or Neptune, due to the presence of characters like '=' or '/')
# saves a file like: my/path/sample-mnist-epoch02-val_loss0.32.ckpt
>>> checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(
...     monitor='val/loss',
...     dirpath='my/path/',
...     filename='sample-mnist-epoch{epoch:02d}-val_loss{val/loss:.2f}',
...     auto_insert_metric_name=False
... )

# retrieve the best checkpoint after training
checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath='my/path/')
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[checkpoint_callback])
model = ...
trainer.fit(model)
checkpoint_callback.best_model_path
```

**`file_exists`** (*filepath*, *trainer*)

Checks if a file exists on rank 0 and broadcasts the result to all other ranks, preventing the internal state to diverge between ranks.

**Return type** `bool`

**format\_checkpoint\_name** (*metrics*, *ver=None*)

Generate a filename according to the defined template.

Example:

```
>>> tmpdir = os.path.dirname(__file__)
>>> ckpt = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath=tmpdir, filename='{epoch}')
>>> os.path.basename(ckpt.format_checkpoint_name(dict(epoch=0)))
'epoch=0.ckpt'
>>> ckpt = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath=tmpdir, filename='{epoch:03d}')
>>> os.path.basename(ckpt.format_checkpoint_name(dict(epoch=5)))
'epoch=005.ckpt'
>>> ckpt = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath=tmpdir, filename='{epoch}-{val_loss:.2f}')
>>> os.path.basename(ckpt.format_checkpoint_name(dict(epoch=2, val_loss=0.
↪123456)))
'epoch=2-val_loss=0.12.ckpt'
>>> ckpt = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath=tmpdir,
... filename='epoch={epoch}-validation_loss={val_loss:.2f}',
... auto_insert_metric_name=False)
>>> os.path.basename(ckpt.format_checkpoint_name(dict(epoch=2, val_loss=0.
↪123456)))
'epoch=2-validation_loss=0.12.ckpt'
>>> ckpt = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath=tmpdir, filename='{missing:d}')
>>> os.path.basename(ckpt.format_checkpoint_name({}))
'missing=0.ckpt'
>>> ckpt = ModelCheckpoint(filename='{step}')
>>> os.path.basename(ckpt.format_checkpoint_name(dict(step=0)))
'step=0.ckpt'
```

**Return type** `str`

**on\_load\_checkpoint** (*trainer*, *pl\_module*, *callback\_state*)

Called when loading a model checkpoint, use to reload state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** `Trainer` – the current `Trainer` instance.
- **pl\_module** `LightningModule` – the current `LightningModule` instance.
- **callback\_state** `Dict[str, Any]` – the callback state returned by `on_save_checkpoint`.

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**Note:** The `on_load_checkpoint` won't be called with an undefined state. If your `on_load_checkpoint` hook behavior doesn't rely on a state, you will still need to override `on_save_checkpoint` to return a dummy state.

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**Return type** `None`

**on\_pretrain\_routine\_start** (*trainer*, *pl\_module*)

When pretrain routine starts we build the ckpt dir on the fly

**Return type** `None`

**on\_save\_checkpoint** (*trainer*, *pl\_module*, *checkpoint*)

Called when saving a model checkpoint, use to persist state.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** (Trainer) – the current `Trainer` instance.
- **pl\_module** (LightningModule) – the current `LightningModule` instance.
- **checkpoint** (Dict[str, Any]) – the checkpoint dictionary that will be saved.

**Return type** Dict[str, Any]

**Returns** The callback state.

**on\_train\_batch\_end** (trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx)

Save checkpoint on train batch end if we meet the criteria for *every\_n\_train\_steps*

**Return type** None

**on\_validation\_end** (trainer, pl\_module)

Save a checkpoint at the end of the validation stage.

**Return type** None

**save\_checkpoint** (trainer, unused=None)

Performs the main logic around saving a checkpoint. This method runs on all ranks. It is the responsibility of `trainer.save_checkpoint` to correctly handle the behaviour in distributed training, i.e., saving only on rank 0 for data parallel use cases.

**Return type** None

**to\_yaml** (filepath=None)

Saves the *best\_k\_models* dict containing the checkpoint paths with the corresponding scores to a YAML file.

**Return type** None

## 16.3.7 progress

### Functions

<code>convert_inf</code>	The tqdm doesn't support inf/nan values.
<code>reset</code>	Resets the tqdm bar to 0 progress with a new total, unless it is disabled.

### Classes

<code>ProgressBar</code>	This is the default progress bar used by Lightning.
<code>ProgressBarBase</code>	The base class for progress bars in Lightning.
<code>tqdm</code>	Custom tqdm progressbar where we append 0 to floating points/strings to prevent the progress bar from flickering

## Progress Bars

Use or override one of the progress bar callbacks.

```
class pytorch_lightning.callbacks.progress.ProgressBar (refresh_rate=1,          pro-
                                                    cess_position=0)
Bases: pytorch_lightning.callbacks.progress.ProgressBarBase
```

This is the default progress bar used by Lightning. It prints to *stdout* using the *tqdm* package and shows up to four different bars:

- **sanity check progress:** the progress during the sanity check run
- **main progress:** shows training + validation progress combined. It also accounts for multiple validation runs during training when *val\_check\_interval* is used.
- **validation progress:** only visible during validation; shows total progress over all validation datasets.
- **test progress:** only active when testing; shows total progress over all test datasets.

For infinite datasets, the progress bar never ends.

If you want to customize the default *tqdm* progress bars used by Lightning, you can override specific methods of the callback class and pass your custom implementation to the *Trainer*:

Example:

```
class LitProgressBar (ProgressBar) :

    def init_validation_tqdm (self) :
        bar = super ().init_validation_tqdm ()
        bar.set_description ('running validation ...')
        return bar

bar = LitProgressBar ()
trainer = Trainer (callbacks=[bar])
```

### Parameters

- **refresh\_rate** (int) – Determines at which rate (in number of batches) the progress bars get updated. Set it to 0 to disable the display. By default, the *Trainer* uses this implementation of the progress bar and sets the refresh rate to the value provided to the *progress\_bar\_refresh\_rate* argument in the *Trainer*.
- **process\_position** (int) – Set this to a value greater than 0 to offset the progress bars by this many lines. This is useful when you have progress bars defined elsewhere and want to show all of them together. This corresponds to *process\_position* in the *Trainer*.

### disable ()

You should provide a way to disable the progress bar. The *Trainer* will call this to disable the output on processes that have a rank different from 0, e.g., in multi-node training.

**Return type** None

### enable ()

You should provide a way to enable the progress bar. The *Trainer* will call this in e.g. pre-training routines like the *learning rate finder* to temporarily enable and disable the main progress bar.

**Return type** None



**`init_predict_tqdm()`**

Override this to customize the tqdm bar for predicting.

**Return type** `tqdm`

**`init_sanity_tqdm()`**

Override this to customize the tqdm bar for the validation sanity run.

**Return type** `tqdm`

**`init_test_tqdm()`**

Override this to customize the tqdm bar for testing.

**Return type** `tqdm`

**`init_train_tqdm()`**

Override this to customize the tqdm bar for training.

**Return type** `tqdm`

**`init_validation_tqdm()`**

Override this to customize the tqdm bar for validation.

**Return type** `tqdm`

**`on_predict_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`**

Called when the predict batch ends.

**`on_predict_end(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when predict ends.

**`on_predict_epoch_start(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the predict epoch begins.

**`on_sanity_check_end(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the validation sanity check ends.

**`on_sanity_check_start(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the validation sanity check starts.

**`on_test_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`**

Called when the test batch ends.

**`on_test_end(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the test ends.

**`on_test_start(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the test begins.

**`on_train_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`**

Called when the train batch ends.

**`on_train_end(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the train ends.

**`on_train_epoch_start(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the train epoch begins.

**`on_train_start(trainer, pl_module)`**

Called when the train begins.

**`on_validation_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs, batch, batch_idx, dataloader_idx)`**

Called when the validation batch ends.

**on\_validation\_end**(*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the validation loop ends.

**on\_validation\_start**(*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the validation loop begins.

**print** (\*args, sep=' ', end='\n', file=None, nlock=False)

You should provide a way to print without breaking the progress bar.

**class** pytorch\_lightning.callbacks.progress.**ProgressBarBase**

Bases: [pytorch\\_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback](#)

The base class for progress bars in Lightning. It is a [Callback](#) that keeps track of the batch progress in the [Trainer](#). You should implement your highly custom progress bars with this as the base class.

Example:

```
class LitProgressBar(ProgressBarBase):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__() # don't forget this :)
        self.enable = True

    def disable(self):
        self.enable = False

    def on_train_batch_end(self, trainer, pl_module, outputs):
        super().on_train_batch_end(trainer, pl_module, outputs) # don't forget_
        ↪this :)
        percent = (self.train_batch_idx / self.total_train_batches) * 100
        sys.stdout.flush()
        sys.stdout.write(f'{percent:.01f} percent complete \r')

bar = LitProgressBar()
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[bar])
```

**disable**()

You should provide a way to disable the progress bar. The [Trainer](#) will call this to disable the output on processes that have a rank different from 0, e.g., in multi-node training.

**enable**()

You should provide a way to enable the progress bar. The [Trainer](#) will call this in e.g. pre-training routines like the [learning rate finder](#) to temporarily enable and disable the main progress bar.

**on\_init\_end**(*trainer*)

Called when the trainer initialization ends, model has not yet been set.

**on\_predict\_batch\_end**(*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the predict batch ends.

**on\_predict\_epoch\_start**(*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the predict epoch begins.

**on\_test\_batch\_end**(*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the test batch ends.

**on\_test\_start**(*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the test begins.

**on\_train\_batch\_end**(*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the train batch ends.

**on\_train\_epoch\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the train epoch begins.

**on\_train\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the train begins.

**on\_validation\_batch\_end** (*trainer, pl\_module, outputs, batch, batch\_idx, dataloader\_idx*)

Called when the validation batch ends.

**on\_validation\_start** (*trainer, pl\_module*)

Called when the validation loop begins.

**print** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

You should provide a way to print without breaking the progress bar.

**property predict\_batch\_idx**

The current batch index being processed during predicting. Use this to update your progress bar.

**Return type** `int`

**property test\_batch\_idx**

The current batch index being processed during testing. Use this to update your progress bar.

**Return type** `int`

**property total\_predict\_batches**

The total number of predicting batches during testing, which may change from epoch to epoch. Use this to set the total number of iterations in the progress bar. Can return `inf` if the predict dataloader is of infinite size.

**Return type** `int`

**property total\_test\_batches**

The total number of testing batches during testing, which may change from epoch to epoch. Use this to set the total number of iterations in the progress bar. Can return `inf` if the test dataloader is of infinite size.

**Return type** `int`

**property total\_train\_batches**

The total number of training batches during training, which may change from epoch to epoch. Use this to set the total number of iterations in the progress bar. Can return `inf` if the training dataloader is of infinite size.

**Return type** `int`

**property total\_val\_batches**

The total number of validation batches during validation, which may change from epoch to epoch. Use this to set the total number of iterations in the progress bar. Can return `inf` if the validation dataloader is of infinite size.

**Return type** `int`

**property train\_batch\_idx**

The current batch index being processed during training. Use this to update your progress bar.

**Return type** `int`

**property val\_batch\_idx**

The current batch index being processed during validation. Use this to update your progress bar.

**Return type** `int`

**class** `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.progress.tqdm` (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `tqdm`.

Custom tqdm progressbar where we append 0 to floating points/strings to prevent the progress bar from flickering

**static format\_num** (*n*)

Add additional padding to the formatted numbers

**Return type** `str`

`pytorch_lightning.callbacks.progress.convert_inf` (*x*)

The tqdm doesn't support inf/nan values. We have to convert it to None.

**Return type** `Union[int, float, None]`

`pytorch_lightning.callbacks.progress.reset` (*bar*, *total=None*)

Resets the tqdm bar to 0 progress with a new total, unless it is disabled.

**Return type** `None`

## 16.4 Loggers API

<i>base</i>	Abstract base class used to build new loggers.
<i>comet</i>	Comet Logger
<i>csv_logs</i>	CSV logger
<i>mlflow</i>	MLflow Logger
<i>neptune</i>	Neptune Logger
<i>tensorboard</i>	TensorBoard Logger
<i>test_tube</i>	Test Tube Logger
<i>wandb</i>	Weights and Biases Logger

### 16.4.1 base

#### Functions

<i>merge_dicts</i>	Merge a sequence with dictionaries into one dictionary by aggregating the same keys with some given function.
<i>rank_zero_experiment</i>	Returns the real experiment on rank 0 and otherwise the DummyExperiment.

#### Classes

<i>DummyExperiment</i>	Dummy experiment
<i>DummyLogger</i>	Dummy logger for internal use.
<i>LightningLoggerBase</i>	Base class for experiment loggers.
<i>LoggerCollection</i>	The <i>LoggerCollection</i> class is used to iterate all logging actions over the given <i>logger_iterable</i> .

Abstract base class used to build new loggers.

**class** `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.DummyExperiment`

Bases: `object`

Dummy experiment

**class** `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.DummyLogger`

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase`

Dummy logger for internal use. It is useful if we want to disable user's logger for a feature, but still ensure that user code can run

**log\_hyperparams** (*\*args*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Record hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** – `Namespace` containing the hyperparameters
- **args** – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** `None`

**log\_metrics** (*\*args*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific *step*, use the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** `None`

**property** `experiment`

Return the experiment object associated with this logger.

**Return type** `DummyExperiment`

**property** `name`

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** `str`

**property** `version`

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** `str`

**class** `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase` (*agg\_key\_funcs=None*,  
*agg\_default\_func=numpy.mean*)

Bases: `abc.ABC`

Base class for experiment loggers.

**Parameters**

- **agg\_key\_funcs** (Optional[Mapping[str, Callable[[Sequence[float]], float]]]) – Dictionary which maps a metric name to a function, which will aggregate the metric values for the same steps.
- **agg\_default\_func** (Callable[[Sequence[float]], float]) – Default function to aggregate metric values. If some metric name is not presented in the `agg_key_funcs` dictionary, then the `agg_default_func` will be used for aggregation.

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**Note:** The `agg_key_funcs` and `agg_default_func` arguments are used only when one logs metrics with the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

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**agg\_and\_log\_metrics** (*metrics*, *step=None*)

Aggregates and records metrics. This method doesn't log the passed metrics instantaneously, but instead it aggregates them and logs only if metrics are ready to be logged.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** *(Dict[str, float])* – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** *(Optional[int])* – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**close** ()

Do any cleanup that is necessary to close an experiment.

**Return type** `None`

**finalize** (*status*)

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** **status** *(str)* – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** `None`

**log\_graph** (*model*, *input\_array=None*)

Record model graph

**Parameters**

- **model** *(LightningModule)* – lightning model
- **input\_array** – input passes to `model.forward`

**Return type** `None`

**abstract log\_hyperparams** (*params*, *\*args*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Record hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** *(Namespace)* – `Namespace` containing the hyperparameters
- **args** – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**abstract log\_metrics** (*metrics*, *step=None*)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific *step*, use the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** *(Dict[str, float])* – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** *(Optional[int])* – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**save** ()

Save log data.

**Return type** `None`

**update\_agg\_funcs** (*agg\_key\_funcs=None, agg\_default\_func=numpy.mean*)

Update aggregation methods.

**Parameters**

- **agg\_key\_funcs** *(Optional[Mapping[str, Callable[[Sequence[float]], float]]])* – Dictionary which maps a metric name to a function, which will aggregate the metric values for the same steps.
- **agg\_default\_func** *(Callable[[Sequence[float]], float])* – Default function to aggregate metric values. If some metric name is not presented in the *agg\_key\_funcs* dictionary, then the *agg\_default\_func* will be used for aggregation.

**abstract property experiment**

Return the experiment object associated with this logger.

**Return type** *Any*

**abstract property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** *str*

**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or *None* if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** *Optional[str]*

**abstract property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** *Union[int, str]*

**class** `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LoggerCollection` (*logger\_iterable*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase`

The `LoggerCollection` class is used to iterate all logging actions over the given *logger\_iterable*.

**Parameters** **logger\_iterable** *(Iterable[LightningLoggerBase])* – An iterable collection of loggers

**agg\_and\_log\_metrics** (*metrics, step=None*)

Aggregates and records metrics. This method doesn't log the passed metrics instantaneously, but instead it aggregates them and logs only if metrics are ready to be logged.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** *(Dict[str, float])* – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** *(Optional[int])* – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**close** ()

Do any cleanup that is necessary to close an experiment.

**Return type** *None*

**finalize** (*status*)

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** **status** *(str)* – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** *None*

**log\_graph** (*model*, *input\_array=None*)

Record model graph

**Parameters**

- **model** `LightningModule` – lightning model
- **input\_array** – input passes to *model.forward*

**Return type** `None`

**log\_hyperparams** (*params*)

Record hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** `Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]` – `Namespace` containing the hyperparameters
- **args** – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** `None`

**log\_metrics** (*metrics*, *step=None*)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific *step*, use the *agg\_and\_log\_metrics()* method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** `Dict[str, float]` – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** `Optional[int]` – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** `None`

**save** ()

Save log data.

**Return type** `None`

**update\_agg\_funcs** (*agg\_key\_funcs=None*, *agg\_default\_func=numpy.mean*)

Update aggregation methods.

**Parameters**

- **agg\_key\_funcs** `Optional[Mapping[str, Callable[[Sequence[float]], float]]]` – Dictionary which maps a metric name to a function, which will aggregate the metric values for the same steps.
- **agg\_default\_func** `Callable[[Sequence[float]], float]` – Default function to aggregate metric values. If some metric name is not presented in the *agg\_key\_funcs* dictionary, then the *agg\_default\_func* will be used for aggregation.

**property experiment**

Return the experiment object associated with this logger.

**Return type** `List[Any]`

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** `str`



**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or *None* if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** `str`

`pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.merge_dicts` (*dicts*, *agg\_key\_funcs=None*, *default\_func=numpy.mean*)

Merge a sequence with dictionaries into one dictionary by aggregating the same keys with some given function.

**Parameters**

- **dicts** `//` (`Sequence[Mapping]`) – Sequence of dictionaries to be merged.
- **agg\_key\_funcs** `//` (`Optional[Mapping[str, Callable[[Sequence[float]], float]]]`) – Mapping from key name to function. This function will aggregate a list of values, obtained from the same key of all dictionaries. If some key has no specified aggregation function, the default one will be used. Default is: *None* (all keys will be aggregated by the default function).
- **default\_func** `//` (`Callable[[Sequence[float]], float]`) – Default function to aggregate keys, which are not presented in the *agg\_key\_funcs* map.

**Return type** `Dict`

**Returns** Dictionary with merged values.

**Examples**

```
>>> import pprint
>>> d1 = {'a': 1.7, 'b': 2.0, 'c': 1, 'd': {'d1': 1, 'd3': 3}}
>>> d2 = {'a': 1.1, 'b': 2.2, 'v': 1, 'd': {'d1': 2, 'd2': 3}}
>>> d3 = {'a': 1.1, 'v': 2.3, 'd': {'d3': 3, 'd4': {'d5': 1}}}
>>> dflt_func = min
>>> agg_funcs = {'a': np.mean, 'v': max, 'd': {'d1': sum}}
>>> pprint.pprint(merge_dicts([d1, d2, d3], agg_funcs, dflt_func))
{'a': 1.3,
 'b': 2.0,
 'c': 1,
 'd': {'d1': 3, 'd2': 3, 'd3': 3, 'd4': {'d5': 1}},
 'v': 2.3}
```

`pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.rank_zero_experiment` (*fn*)

Returns the real experiment on rank 0 and otherwise the DummyExperiment.

**Return type** `Callable`

## 16.4.2 comet

### Classes

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<i>CometLogger</i>	Log using Comet.ml.
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### Comet Logger

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.comet.CometLogger (api_key=None,    save_dir=None,
                                                  project_name=None,
                                                  rest_api_key=None,    exper-
                                                  iment_name=None,    experi-
                                                  ment_key=None,    offline=False,
                                                  prefix="", **kwargs)
```

Bases: *pytorch\_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase*

Log using Comet.ml.

Install it with pip:

```
pip install comet-ml
```

Comet requires either an API Key (online mode) or a local directory path (offline mode).

#### ONLINE MODE

```
import os
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import CometLogger
# arguments made to CometLogger are passed on to the comet_ml.Experiment class
comet_logger = CometLogger(
    api_key=os.environ.get('COMET_API_KEY'),
    workspace=os.environ.get('COMET_WORKSPACE'), # Optional
    save_dir='.', # Optional
    project_name='default_project', # Optional
    rest_api_key=os.environ.get('COMET_REST_API_KEY'), # Optional
    experiment_key=os.environ.get('COMET_EXPERIMENT_KEY'), # Optional
    experiment_name='default' # Optional
)
trainer = Trainer(logger=comet_logger)
```

#### OFFLINE MODE

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import CometLogger
# arguments made to CometLogger are passed on to the comet_ml.Experiment class
comet_logger = CometLogger(
    save_dir='.',
    workspace=os.environ.get('COMET_WORKSPACE'), # Optional
    project_name='default_project', # Optional
    rest_api_key=os.environ.get('COMET_REST_API_KEY'), # Optional
    experiment_name='default' # Optional
)
trainer = Trainer(logger=comet_logger)
```

### Parameters

- **api\_key** (Optional[str]) – Required in online mode. API key, found on Comet.ml. If not given, this will be loaded from the environment variable COMET\_API\_KEY or ~/.comet.config if either exists.
- **save\_dir** (Optional[str]) – Required in offline mode. The path for the directory to save local comet logs. If given, this also sets the directory for saving checkpoints.
- **project\_name** (Optional[str]) – Optional. Send your experiment to a specific project. Otherwise will be sent to Uncategorized Experiments. If the project name does not already exist, Comet.ml will create a new project.
- **rest\_api\_key** (Optional[str]) – Optional. Rest API key found in Comet.ml settings. This is used to determine version number
- **experiment\_name** (Optional[str]) – Optional. String representing the name for this particular experiment on Comet.ml.
- **experiment\_key** (Optional[str]) – Optional. If set, restores from existing experiment.
- **offline** (bool) – If api\_key and save\_dir are both given, this determines whether the experiment will be in online or offline mode. This is useful if you use save\_dir to control the checkpoints directory and have a ~/.comet.config file but still want to run offline experiments.
- **prefix** (str) – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Additional arguments like *workspace*, *log\_code*, etc. used by CometExperiment can be passed as keyword arguments in this logger.

#### Raises

- **ImportError** – If required Comet package is not installed on the device.
- **MisconfigurationException** – If neither api\_key nor save\_dir are passed as arguments.

#### **finalize** (status)

When calling `self.experiment.end()`, that experiment won't log any more data to Comet. That's why, if you need to log any more data, you need to create an ExistingCometExperiment. For example, to log data when testing your model after training, because when training is finalized `CometLogger.finalize()` is called.

This happens automatically in the `experiment()` property, when `self._experiment` is set to None, i.e. `self.reset_experiment()`.

**Return type** None

#### **log\_graph** (model, input\_array=None)

Record model graph

##### Parameters

- **model** (LightningModule) – lightning model
- **input\_array** – input passes to `model.forward`

**Return type** None

#### **log\_hyperparams** (params)

Record hyperparameters.

##### Parameters

- **params** `//` (`Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]`) – `Namespace` containing the hyperparameters
- **args** `//` – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** `//` – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** `None`

**log\_metrics** (*metrics*, *step=None*)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific *step*, use the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** `//` (`Dict[str, Union[Tensor, float]]`) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** `//` (`Optional[int]`) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** `None`

**property experiment**

Actual Comet object. To use Comet features in your `LightningModule` do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_comet_function()
```

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** `str`

**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or `None` if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** `str`

### 16.4.3 csv\_logs

#### Classes

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<code>CSVLogger</code>	Log to local file system in yaml and CSV format.
<code>ExperimentWriter</code>	Experiment writer for CSVLogger.

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## CSV logger

CSV logger for basic experiment logging that does not require opening ports

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.csv_logs.CSVLogger(save_dir, name='default', version=None, prefix='')
    Bases: pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase
```

Log to local file system in yaml and CSV format.

Logs are saved to `os.path.join(save_dir, name, version)`.

### Example

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> from pytorch_lightning.loggers import CSVLogger
>>> logger = CSVLogger("logs", name="my_exp_name")
>>> trainer = Trainer(logger=logger)
```

#### Parameters

- **save\_dir** (str) – Save directory
- **name** (Optional[str]) – Experiment name. Defaults to 'default'.
- **version** (Union[int, str, None]) – Experiment version. If version is not specified the logger inspects the save directory for existing versions, then automatically assigns the next available version.
- **prefix** (str) – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.

**finalize** (*status*)

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** **status** (str) – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** None

**log\_hyperparams** (*params*)

Record hyperparameters.

#### Parameters

- **params** (Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]) – Namespace containing the hyperparameters
- **args** – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** None

**log\_metrics** (*metrics*, *step*=None)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific *step*, use the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

#### Parameters

- **metrics** (Dict[str, float]) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values

- **step** (Optional[int]) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** None

**save()**

Save log data.

**Return type** None

**property experiment**

Actual ExperimentWriter object. To use ExperimentWriter features in your *LightningModule* do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_experiment_writer_function()
```

**Return type** *ExperimentWriter*

**property log\_dir**

The log directory for this run. By default, it is named 'version\_\${self.version}' but it can be overridden by passing a string value for the constructor's version parameter instead of None or an int.

**Return type** str

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** str

**property root\_dir**

Parent directory for all checkpoint subdirectories. If the experiment name parameter is None or the empty string, no experiment subdirectory is used and the checkpoint will be saved in "save\_dir/version\_dir"

**Return type** str

**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or None if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** Optional[str]

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** int

**class** pytorch\_lightning.loggers.csv\_logs.**ExperimentWriter** (log\_dir)

Bases: object

Experiment writer for CSVLogger.

Currently supports to log hyperparameters and metrics in YAML and CSV format, respectively.

**Parameters** **log\_dir** (str) – Directory for the experiment logs

**log\_hparams** (params)

Record hparams

**Return type** None

**log\_metrics** (metrics\_dict, step=None)

Record metrics

**Return type** None

**save()**

Save recorded hparams and metrics into files

**Return type** `None`

## 16.4.4 mlflow

### Classes

*MLFlowLogger*

Log using MLflow.

### MLflow Logger

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.mlflow.MLFlowLogger(experiment_name='default',
                                                    tracking_uri=None, tags=None,
                                                    save_dir='./mlruns', prefix="",
                                                    artifact_location=None)
```

Bases: *pytorch\_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase*

Log using MLflow.

Install it with pip:

```
pip install mlflow
```

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import MLFlowLogger
mlf_logger = MLFlowLogger(
    experiment_name="default",
    tracking_uri="file:./ml-runs"
)
trainer = Trainer(logger=mlf_logger)
```

Use the logger anywhere in your *LightningModule* as follows:

```
from pytorch_lightning import LightningModule
class LitModel(LightningModule):
    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        # example
        self.logger.experiment.whatever_ml_flow_supports(...)

    def any_lightning_module_function_or_hook(self):
        self.logger.experiment.whatever_ml_flow_supports(...)
```

### Parameters

- **experiment\_name** (str) – The name of the experiment
- **tracking\_uri** (Optional[str]) – Address of local or remote tracking server. If not provided, defaults to *file:<save\_dir>*.
- **tags** (Optional[Dict[str, Any]]) – A dictionary tags for the experiment.

- **save\_dir** (Optional[str]) – A path to a local directory where the MLflow runs get saved. Defaults to `./mlflow` if `tracking_uri` is not provided. Has no effect if `tracking_uri` is provided.
- **prefix** (str) – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.
- **artifact\_location** (Optional[str]) – The location to store run artifacts. If not provided, the server picks an appropriate default.

**Raises** `ImportError` – If required MLflow package is not installed on the device.

**finalize** (status='FINISHED')

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** **status** (str) – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** `None`

**log\_hyperparams** (params)

Record hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** (Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]) – `Namespace` containing the hyperparameters
- **args** – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** `None`

**log\_metrics** (metrics, step=None)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific `step`, use the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** (Dict[str, float]) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** (Optional[int]) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** `None`

**property experiment**

Actual MLflow object. To use MLflow features in your `LightningModule` do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_mlflow_function()
```

**Return type** `MlflowClient`

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** `str`

**property save\_dir**

The root file directory in which MLflow experiments are saved.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`



**Returns** Local path to the root experiment directory if the tracking uri is local. Otherwise returns *None*.

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** `str`

## 16.4.5 neptune

### Classes

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<code>NeptuneLogger</code>	Log using Neptune.
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### Neptune Logger

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.neptune.NeptuneLogger (api_key=None,
                                                         project_name=None,
                                                         close_after_fit=True,      of-
                                                         fline_mode=False,    experi-
                                                         ment_name=None,    exper-
                                                         iment_id=None,    prefix="",
                                                         **kwargs)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase`

Log using Neptune.

Install it with pip:

```
pip install neptune-client
```

The Neptune logger can be used in the online mode or offline (silent) mode. To log experiment data in online mode, `NeptuneLogger` requires an API key. In offline mode, the logger does not connect to Neptune.

#### ONLINE MODE

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import NeptuneLogger

# arguments made to NeptuneLogger are passed on to the neptune.experiments.
↳ Experiment class
# We are using an api_key for the anonymous user "neptuner" but you can use your_
↳ own.
neptune_logger = NeptuneLogger(
    api_key='ANONYMOUS',
    project_name='shared/pytorch-lightning-integration',
    experiment_name='default', # Optional,
    params={'max_epochs': 10}, # Optional,
    tags=['pytorch-lightning', 'mlp'] # Optional,
)
trainer = Trainer(max_epochs=10, logger=neptune_logger)
```

#### OFFLINE MODE

```

from pytorch_lightning.loggers import NeptuneLogger

# arguments made to NeptuneLogger are passed on to the neptune.experiments.
↳ Experiment class
neptune_logger = NeptuneLogger(
    offline_mode=True,
    project_name='USER_NAME/PROJECT_NAME',
    experiment_name='default', # Optional,
    params={'max_epochs': 10}, # Optional,
    tags=['pytorch-lightning', 'mlp'] # Optional,
)
trainer = Trainer(max_epochs=10, logger=neptune_logger)

```

Use the logger anywhere in you *LightningModule* as follows:

```

class LitModel(LightningModule):
    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        # log metrics
        self.logger.experiment.log_metric('acc_train', ...)
        # log images
        self.logger.experiment.log_image('worse_predictions', ...)
        # log model checkpoint
        self.logger.experiment.log_artifact('model_checkpoint.pt', ...)
        self.logger.experiment.whatever_neptune_supports(...)

    def any_lightning_module_function_or_hook(self):
        self.logger.experiment.log_metric('acc_train', ...)
        self.logger.experiment.log_image('worse_predictions', ...)
        self.logger.experiment.log_artifact('model_checkpoint.pt', ...)
        self.logger.experiment.whatever_neptune_supports(...)

```

If you want to log objects after the training is finished use `close_after_fit=False`:

```

neptune_logger = NeptuneLogger(
    ...
    close_after_fit=False,
    ...
)
trainer = Trainer(logger=neptune_logger)
trainer.fit()

# Log test metrics
trainer.test(model)

# Log additional metrics
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score

accuracy = accuracy_score(y_true, y_pred)
neptune_logger.experiment.log_metric('test_accuracy', accuracy)

# Log charts
from scikitplot.metrics import plot_confusion_matrix
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(16, 12))
plot_confusion_matrix(y_true, y_pred, ax=ax)
neptune_logger.experiment.log_image('confusion_matrix', fig)

```

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```
# Save checkpoints folder
neptune_logger.experiment.log_artifact('my/checkpoints')

# When you are done, stop the experiment
neptune_logger.experiment.stop()
```

**See also:**

- An [Example experiment](#) showing the UI of Neptune.
- [Tutorial](#) on how to use Pytorch Lightning with Neptune.

**Parameters**

- **api\_key** (Optional[str]) – Required in online mode. Neptune API token, found on <https://neptune.ai>. Read how to get your [API key](#). It is recommended to keep it in the `NEPTUNE_API_TOKEN` environment variable and then you can leave `api_key=None`.
- **project\_name** (Optional[str]) – Required in online mode. Qualified name of a project in a form of “namespace/project\_name” for example “tom/minst-classification”. If None, the value of `NEPTUNE_PROJECT` environment variable will be taken. You need to create the project in <https://neptune.ai> first.
- **offline\_mode** (bool) – Optional default False. If True no logs will be sent to Neptune. Usually used for debug purposes.
- **close\_after\_fit** (Optional[bool]) – Optional default True. If False the experiment will not be closed after training and additional metrics, images or artifacts can be logged. Also, remember to close the experiment explicitly by running `neptune_logger.experiment.stop()`.
- **experiment\_name** (Optional[str]) – Optional. Editable name of the experiment. Name is displayed in the experiment’s Details (Metadata section) and in experiments view as a column.
- **experiment\_id** (Optional[str]) – Optional. Default is None. The ID of the existing experiment. If specified, connect to experiment with `experiment_id` in `project_name`. Input arguments “`experiment_name`”, “`params`”, “`properties`” and “`tags`” will be overridden based on fetched experiment data.
- **prefix** (str) – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Additional arguments like `params`, `tags`, `properties`, etc. used by `neptune.Session.create_experiment()` can be passed as keyword arguments in this logger.

**Raises** `ImportError` – If required Neptune package is not installed on the device.

**append\_tags** (tags)

Appends tags to the neptune experiment.

**Parameters** **tags** (Union[str, Iterable[str]]) – Tags to add to the current experiment.

If str is passed, a single tag is added. If multiple - comma separated - str are passed, all of them are added as tags. If list of str is passed, all elements of the list are added as tags.

**Return type** None

**finalize** (status)

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** `status` (str) – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** None

**log\_artifact** (artifact, destination=None)

Save an artifact (file) in Neptune experiment storage.

**Parameters**

- **artifact** (str) – A path to the file in local filesystem.
- **destination** (Optional[str]) – Optional. Default is None. A destination path. If None is passed, an artifact file name will be used.

**Return type** None

**log\_hyperparams** (params)

Record hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** (Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]) – Namespace containing the hyperparameters
- **args** – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** None

**log\_image** (log\_name, image, step=None)

Log image data in Neptune experiment

**Parameters**

- **log\_name** (str) – The name of log, i.e. bboxes, visualisations, sample\_images.
- **image** (Union[str, Any]) – The value of the log (data-point). Can be one of the following types: PIL image, `matplotlib.figure.Figure`, path to image file (str)
- **step** (Optional[int]) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded, must be strictly increasing

**Return type** None

**log\_metric** (metric\_name, metric\_value, step=None)

Log metrics (numeric values) in Neptune experiments.

**Parameters**

- **metric\_name** (str) – The name of log, i.e. mse, loss, accuracy.
- **metric\_value** (Union[Tensor, float, str]) – The value of the log (data-point).
- **step** (Optional[int]) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded, must be strictly increasing

**Return type** None

**log\_metrics** (metrics, step=None)

Log metrics (numeric values) in Neptune experiments.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** (Dict[str, Union[Tensor, float]]) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values

- **step** (Optional[int]) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded, currently ignored

**Return type** None

**log\_text** (*log\_name*, *text*, *step=None*)  
Log text data in Neptune experiments.

**Parameters**

- **log\_name** (str) – The name of log, i.e. mse, my\_text\_data, timing\_info.
- **text** (str) – The value of the log (data-point).
- **step** (Optional[int]) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded, must be strictly increasing

**Return type** None

**set\_property** (*key*, *value*)  
Set key-value pair as Neptune experiment property.

**Parameters**

- **key** (str) – Property key.
- **value** (Any) – New value of a property.

**Return type** None

**property experiment**  
Actual Neptune object. To use neptune features in your *LightningModule* do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_neptune_function()
```

**Return type** Experiment

**property name**  
Return the experiment name.

**Return type** str

**property save\_dir**  
Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or *None* if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** Optional[str]

**property version**  
Return the experiment version.

**Return type** str

## 16.4.6 tensorboard

### Classes

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<i>TensorBoardLogger</i>	Log to local file system in <b>TensorBoard</b> format.
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### TensorBoard Logger

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.tensorboard.TensorBoardLogger(save_dir,
                                                             name='default',
                                                             version=None,
                                                             log_graph=False,
                                                             de-
                                                             fault_hp_metric=True,
                                                             prefix="",
                                                             **kwargs)
```

Bases: *pytorch\_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase*

Log to local file system in **TensorBoard** format.

Implemented using SummaryWriter. Logs are saved to `os.path.join(save_dir, name, version)`. This is the default logger in Lightning, it comes preinstalled.

Example:

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import TensorBoardLogger
logger = TensorBoardLogger("tb_logs", name="my_model")
trainer = Trainer(logger=logger)
```

### Parameters

- **save\_dir** (str) – Save directory
- **name** (Optional[str]) – Experiment name. Defaults to 'default'. If it is the empty string then no per-experiment subdirectory is used.
- **version** (Union[int, str, None]) – Experiment version. If version is not specified the logger inspects the save directory for existing versions, then automatically assigns the next available version. If it is a string then it is used as the run-specific subdirectory name, otherwise 'version\_\${version}' is used.
- **log\_graph** (bool) – Adds the computational graph to tensorboard. This requires that the user has defined the *self.example\_input\_array* attribute in their model.
- **default\_hp\_metric** (bool) – Enables a placeholder metric with key *hp\_metric* when *log\_hyperparams* is called without a metric (otherwise calls to *log\_hyperparams* without a metric are ignored).
- **prefix** (str) – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Additional arguments like *comment*, *filename\_suffix*, etc. used by SummaryWriter can be passed as keyword arguments in this logger.

**finalize** (status)

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** `status` (`str`) – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** `None`

**log\_graph** (`model`, `input_array=None`)  
Record model graph

**Parameters**

- **model** (`LightningModule`) – lightning model
- **input\_array** – input passes to `model.forward`

**log\_hyperparams** (`params`, `metrics=None`)  
Record hyperparameters. TensorBoard logs with and without saved hyperparameters are incompatible, the hyperparameters are then not displayed in the TensorBoard. Please delete or move the previously saved logs to display the new ones with hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** (`Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]`) – a dictionary-like container with the hyperparameters
- **metrics** (`Optional[Dict[str, Any]]`) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values

**Return type** `None`

**log\_metrics** (`metrics`, `step=None`)  
Records metrics. This method logs metrics as as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific `step`, use the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** (`Dict[str, float]`) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** (`Optional[int]`) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** `None`

**save** ()  
Save log data.

**Return type** `None`

**property experiment**  
Actual tensorboard object. To use TensorBoard features in your `LightningModule` do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_tensorboard_function()
```

**Return type** `SummaryWriter`

**property log\_dir**  
The directory for this run's tensorboard checkpoint. By default, it is named 'version\_\${self.version}' but it can be overridden by passing a string value for the constructor's version parameter instead of `None` or an `int`.

**Return type** `str`

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** `str`

**property root\_dir**

Parent directory for all tensorboard checkpoint subdirectories. If the experiment name parameter is `None` or the empty string, no experiment subdirectory is used and the checkpoint will be saved in “save\_dir/version\_dir”

**Return type** `str`

**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or `None` if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** `int`

## 16.4.7 test\_tube

### Classes

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*TestTubeLogger*

Log to local file system in [TensorBoard](#) format but using a nicer folder structure (see [full docs](#)).

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### Test Tube Logger

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.test_tube.TestTubeLogger (save_dir, name='default',
                                                         description=None,
                                                         debug=False,      ver-
                                                         sion=None,      cre-
                                                         ate_git_tag=False,
                                                         log_graph=False,  pre-
                                                         fix='')
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase`

Log to local file system in [TensorBoard](#) format but using a nicer folder structure (see [full docs](#)).

Install it with pip:

```
pip install test_tube
```

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import TestTubeLogger
logger = TestTubeLogger("tt_logs", name="my_exp_name")
trainer = Trainer(logger=logger)
```

Use the logger anywhere in your `LightningModule` as follows:

```
from pytorch_lightning import LightningModule
class LitModel(LightningModule):
```

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```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # example
    self.logger.experiment.whatever_method_summary_writer_supports(...)

def any_lightning_module_function_or_hook(self):
    self.logger.experiment.add_histogram(...)
```

**Parameters**

- **save\_dir** (str) – Save directory
- **name** (str) – Experiment name. Defaults to 'default'.
- **description** (Optional[str]) – A short snippet about this experiment
- **debug** (bool) – If True, it doesn't log anything.
- **version** (Optional[int]) – Experiment version. If version is not specified the logger inspects the save directory for existing versions, then automatically assigns the next available version.
- **create\_git\_tag** (bool) – If True creates a git tag to save the code used in this experiment.
- **log\_graph** (bool) – Adds the computational graph to tensorboard. This requires that the user has defined the *self.example\_input\_array* attribute in their model.
- **prefix** (str) – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.

**Raises** **ImportError** – If required TestTube package is not installed on the device.

**close()**

Do any cleanup that is necessary to close an experiment.

**Return type** None

**finalize(status)**

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** **status** (str) – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** None

**log\_graph(model, input\_array=None)**

Record model graph

**Parameters**

- **model** (LightningModule) – lightning model
- **input\_array** – input passes to *model.forward*

**log\_hyperparams(params)**

Record hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** (Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]) – Namespace containing the hyperparameters
- **args** – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** `None`

**log\_metrics** (*metrics*, *step=None*)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific *step*, use the `agg_and_log_metrics()` method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** `(Dict[str, float])` – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** `(Optional[int])` – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** `None`

**save** ()

Save log data.

**Return type** `None`

**property experiment**

Actual TestTube object. To use TestTube features in your `LightningModule` do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_test_tube_function()
```

**Return type** `Experiment`

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** `str`

**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or `None` if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** `Optional[str]`

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** `int`

## 16.4.8 wandb

### Classes

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`WandbLogger`

Log using `Weights and Biases`.

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## Weights and Biases Logger

```
class pytorch_lightning.loggers.wandb.WandbLogger (name=None,      save_dir=None,
                                                  offline=False,  id=None,  anony-
                                                  mous=None,    version=None,
                                                  project=None, log_model=False,
                                                  experiment=None, prefix="",
                                                  sync_step=None, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.loggers.base.LightningLoggerBase`

Log using [Weights and Biases](#).

Install it with pip:

```
pip install wandb
```

### Parameters

- **name** (Optional[str]) – Display name for the run.
- **save\_dir** (Optional[str]) – Path where data is saved (wandb dir by default).
- **offline** (Optional[bool]) – Run offline (data can be streamed later to wandb servers).
- **id** (Optional[str]) – Sets the version, mainly used to resume a previous run.
- **version** (Optional[str]) – Same as id.
- **anonymous** (Optional[bool]) – Enables or explicitly disables anonymous logging.
- **project** (Optional[str]) – The name of the project to which this run will belong.
- **log\_model** (Optional[bool]) – Save checkpoints in wandb dir to upload on W&B servers.
- **prefix** (Optional[str]) – A string to put at the beginning of metric keys.
- **experiment** – WandB experiment object. Automatically set when creating a run.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Arguments passed to `wandb.init()` like *entity*, *group*, *tags*, etc.

### Raises

- **ImportError** – If required WandB package is not installed on the device.
- **MisconfigurationException** – If both `log_model` and `offline` is set to `True`.

Example:

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import WandbLogger
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
wandb_logger = WandbLogger()
trainer = Trainer(logger=wandb_logger)
```

Note: When logging manually through `wandb.log` or `trainer.logger.experiment.log`, make sure to use `commit=False` so the logging step does not increase.

See also:

- [Tutorial](#) on how to use W&B with PyTorch Lightning

- [W&B Documentation](#)

**finalize** (*status*)

Do any processing that is necessary to finalize an experiment.

**Parameters** **status** (*str*) – Status that the experiment finished with (e.g. success, failed, aborted)

**Return type** *None*

**log\_hyperparams** (*params*)

Record hyperparameters.

**Parameters**

- **params** (*Union[Dict[str, Any], Namespace]*) – *Namespace* containing the hyperparameters
- **args** – Optional positional arguments, depends on the specific logger being used
- **kwargs** – Optional keyword arguments, depends on the specific logger being used

**Return type** *None*

**log\_metrics** (*metrics, step=None*)

Records metrics. This method logs metrics as as soon as it received them. If you want to aggregate metrics for one specific *step*, use the *agg\_and\_log\_metrics()* method.

**Parameters**

- **metrics** (*Dict[str, float]*) – Dictionary with metric names as keys and measured quantities as values
- **step** (*Optional[int]*) – Step number at which the metrics should be recorded

**Return type** *None*

**property experiment**

Actual wandb object. To use wandb features in your *LightningModule* do the following.

Example:

```
self.logger.experiment.some_wandb_function()
```

**Return type** *Run*

**property name**

Return the experiment name.

**Return type** *Optional[str]*

**property save\_dir**

Return the root directory where experiment logs get saved, or *None* if the logger does not save data locally.

**Return type** *Optional[str]*

**property version**

Return the experiment version.

**Return type** *Optional[str]*

## 16.5 Plugins API

### 16.5.1 Training Type Plugins

<i>TrainingTypePlugin</i>	Base class for all training type plugins that change the behaviour of the training, validation and test-loop.
<i>SingleDevicePlugin</i>	Plugin that handles communication on a single device.
<i>ParallelPlugin</i>	Plugin for training with multiple processes in parallel.
<i>DataParallelPlugin</i>	Implements data-parallel training in a single process, i.e., the model gets replicated to each device and each gets a split of the data.
<i>DDPPlugin</i>	Plugin for multi-process single-device training on one or multiple nodes.
<i>DDP2Plugin</i>	DDP2 behaves like DP in one node, but synchronization across nodes behaves like in DDP.
<i>DDPShardedPlugin</i>	Optimizer and gradient sharded training provided by FairScale.
<i>DDPSpawnShardedPlugin</i>	Optimizer sharded training provided by FairScale.
<i>DDPSpawnPlugin</i>	Spawns processes using the <code>torch.multiprocessing.spawn()</code> method and joins processes after training finishes.
<i>DeepSpeedPlugin</i>	Provides capabilities to run training using the DeepSpeed library, with training optimizations for large billion parameter models.
<i>HorovodPlugin</i>	Plugin for Horovod distributed training integration.
<i>RPCPlugin</i>	Backbone for RPC Plugins built on top of DDP.
<i>RPCSequentialPlugin</i>	Provides sequential model parallelism for <code>nn.Sequential</code> module.
<i>SingleTPUPlugin</i>	Plugin for training on a single TPU device.
<i>TPUSpawnPlugin</i>	Plugin for training multiple TPU devices using the <code>torch.multiprocessing.spawn()</code> method.

#### TrainingTypePlugin

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.TrainingTypePlugin`

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.base_plugin.Plugin`, `abc.ABC`

Base class for all training type plugins that change the behaviour of the training, validation and test-loop.

**abstract all\_gather** (*tensor, group=None, sync\_grads=False*)

Perform a all\_gather on all processes

**Return type** `Tensor`

**abstract barrier** (*name=None*)

Forces all possibly joined processes to wait for each other

**Return type** `None`

**abstract broadcast** (*obj, src=0*)

Broadcasts an object to all processes

**Return type** `~T`

**connect** (*model*)

Called by the accelerator to connect the accelerator and the model with this plugin

**Return type** `None`

**model\_sharded\_context** ()

Provide hook to create modules in a distributed aware context. This is useful for when we'd like to shard the model instantly, which is useful for extremely large models which can save memory and initialization time.

Returns: Model parallel context.

**Return type** `Generator`

**abstract model\_to\_device** ()

Moves the model to the correct device

**Return type** `None`

**post\_backward** (*closure\_loss*, *should\_accumulate*, *optimizer*, *opt\_idx*)

Run after precision plugin executes backward

**post\_optimizer\_step** (*optimizer*, *optimizer\_idx*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Hook to do something after each optimizer step.

**Return type** `None`

**pre\_backward** (*closure\_loss*, *should\_accumulate*, *optimizer*, *opt\_idx*)

Run before precision plugin executes backward

**process\_dataloader** (*dataloader*)

Wraps the dataloader if necessary

**Parameters** **dataloader** `Union[Iterable, DataLoader]` – iterable. Ideally of type:  
`torch.utils.data.DataLoader`

**Return type** `Union[Iterable, DataLoader]`

**abstract reduce** (*tensor*, *\*args*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Reduces the given tensor (e.g. across GPUs/processes).

**Parameters**

- **tensor** `Union[Tensor, Any]` – the tensor to sync and reduce
- **\*args** – plugin-specific positional arguments
- **\*\*kwargs** – plugin-specific keyword arguments

**Return type** `Union[Tensor, Any]`

**reduce\_boolean\_decision** (*decision*)

Reduce the early stopping decision across all processes

**Return type** `bool`

**restore\_model\_state\_fromckpt\_path** (*ckpt\_path*, *map\_location*=<function *TrainingType-Plugin.<lambda>*>)

This function is used to load and restore the model state.

**Parameters**

- **ckpt\_path** `str` – Path to a checkpoint
- **map\_location** `Callable` – lambda function to map checkpoint location

**Return** checkpoint: Return loaded checkpoint bool: Wether to load optimizer / lr\_schedulers states from checkpoint

**Return type** `Tuple[Dict, bool]`

**save\_checkpoint** (*checkpoint, filepath*)

Save model/training states as a checkpoint file through state-dump and file-write.

**Parameters**

- **checkpoint** `[Dict[str, Any]]` – dict containing model and trainer state
- **filepath** `(str)` – write-target file's path

**Return type** `None`

**setup** (*model*)

Called by the accelerator to finish setup.

**Return type** `None`

**setup\_environment** ()

Setup any processes or distributed connections. This is called before the LightningModule/DataModule setup hook which allows the user to access the accelerator environment before setup is complete.

**Return type** `None`

**update\_global\_step** (*total\_batch\_idx, current\_global\_step*)

Provide a hook to count optimizer step calls.

**Parameters**

- **total\_batch\_idx** `(int)` – Total number of batches seen for training
- **current\_global\_step** `(int)` – Current number of optimizer step calls

Returns: New optimizer step calls

**Return type** `int`

**property call\_configure\_sharded\_model\_hook**

Allow model parallel hook to be called in suitable environments determined by the training type plugin. This is useful for when we want to shard the model once within fit. Returns: True if we want to call the model parallel setup hook.

**Return type** `bool`

**abstract property is\_global\_zero**

Whether the current process is the rank zero process not only on the local node, but for all nodes.

**Return type** `bool`

**property lightning\_module**

Returns the pure LightningModule without potential wrappers

**Return type** `LightningModule`

**property model**

Returns the potentially wrapped LightningModule

**Return type** `Module`

**abstract property on\_gpu**

Returns whether the current process is done on GPU

**Return type** `bool`

**property results**

Enables plugin-agnostic access to the result returned by the training/evaluation/prediction run. The result is cached instead of returned directly, because some plugins require transmitting the results from one multiprocessing context to another in a separate step. For example, the plugins that use the “spawn” start-method send the result to the master process through a [multiprocessing queue \(shared memory\)](#).

**Return type** `Union[List[Dict[str, float]], List[Any], List[List[Any]], None]`

**abstract property root\_device**

Returns the root device

**Return type** `device`

**property setup\_optimizers\_in\_pre\_dispatch**

Override to delay setting optimizers and schedulers till after dispatch. This is useful when the *TrainingTypePlugin* requires operating on the wrapped accelerator model. However this may break certain precision plugins such as APEX which require optimizers to be set. Returns: If True, delay setup optimizers till `pre_dispatch`, else call within `setup`.

**Return type** `bool`

## SingleDevicePlugin

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.SingleDevicePlugin(device)`

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.training_type_plugin.TrainingTypePlugin`

Plugin that handles communication on a single device.

**all\_gather** (*tensor, group=None, sync\_grads=False*)

Perform a `all_gather` on all processes

**Return type** `Tensor`

**barrier** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Forces all possibly joined processes to wait for each other

**Return type** `None`

**broadcast** (*obj, src=0*)

Broadcasts an object to all processes

**Return type** `object`

**model\_to\_device** ()

Moves the model to the correct device

**Return type** `None`

**reduce** (*tensor, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Reduces a tensor from several distributed processes to one aggregated tensor. As this plugin only operates with a single device, the reduction is simply the identity.

**Parameters**

- **tensor** `⌘` (`Union[Any, Tensor]`) – the tensor to sync and reduce
- **\*args** `⌘` – ignored
- **\*\*kwargs** `⌘` – ignored

**Return type** `Union[Any, Tensor]`

**Returns** the unmodified input as reduction is not needed for single process operation



**setup** (*model*)

Called by the accelerator to finish setup.

**Return type** `Module`

**property is\_global\_zero**

Whether the current process is the rank zero process not only on the local node, but for all nodes.

**Return type** `bool`

**property on\_gpu**

Returns whether the current process is done on GPU

**Return type** `bool`

**property root\_device**

Returns the root device

**Return type** `device`

## ParallelPlugin

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.ParallelPlugin` (*parallel\_devices=None*,  
*cluster\_environment=None*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.training_type_plugin.TrainingTypePlugin`, `abc.ABC`

Plugin for training with multiple processes in parallel.

**all\_gather** (*tensor*, *group=None*, *sync\_grads=False*)

Perform a all\_gather on all processes

**Return type** `Tensor`

**block\_backward\_sync** ()

Blocks ddp sync gradients behaviour on backwards pass. This is useful for skipping sync when accumulating gradients, reducing communication overhead Returns: context manager with sync behaviour off

**static configure\_sync\_batchnorm** (*model*)

Add global batchnorm for a model spread across multiple GPUs and nodes.

Override to synchronize batchnorm between specific process groups instead of the whole world or use a different sync\_bn like *apex*'s version.

**Parameters** *model* (`LightningModule`) – pointer to current `LightningModule`.

**Return type** `LightningModule`

**Returns** `LightningModule` with batchnorm layers synchronized between process groups

**reduce\_boolean\_decision** (*decision*)

Reduce the early stopping decision across all processes

**Return type** `bool`

**property is\_global\_zero**

Whether the current process is the rank zero process not only on the local node, but for all nodes.

**Return type** `bool`

**property lightning\_module**

Returns the pure `LightningModule` without potential wrappers

**property on\_gpu**

Returns whether the current process is done on GPU

**abstract property root\_device**

Returns the root device

## DataParallelPlugin

**class** pytorch\_lightning.plugins.training\_type.DataParallelPlugin(*parallel\_devices*)

Bases: pytorch\_lightning.plugins.training\_type.parallel.ParallelPlugin

Implements data-parallel training in a single process, i.e., the model gets replicated to each device and each gets a split of the data.

**barrier** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Forces all possibly joined processes to wait for each other

**broadcast** (*obj, src=0*)

Broadcasts an object to all processes

**Return type** `object`

**model\_to\_device** ()

Moves the model to the correct device

**reduce** (*tensor, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Reduces a tensor from all parallel processes to one aggregated tensor.

### Parameters

- **tensor** – the tensor to sync and reduce
- **\*args** – ignored for DP
- **\*\*kwargs** – ignored for DP

**Returns** reduced value, except when the input was not a tensor the output remains is unchanged

**reduce\_boolean\_decision** (*decision*)

Reduce the early stopping decision across all processes

**Return type** `bool`

**setup** (*model*)

Called by the accelerator to finish setup.

**property root\_device**

Returns the root device

## DDPPlugin

**class** pytorch\_lightning.plugins.training\_type.DDPPlugin(*parallel\_devices=None, num\_nodes=1, cluster\_environment=None, sync\_batchnorm=False, ddp\_comm\_state=None, ddp\_comm\_hook=None, ddp\_comm\_wrapper=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: pytorch\_lightning.plugins.training\_type.parallel.ParallelPlugin

Plugin for multi-process single-device training on one or multiple nodes.

The master process in each node spawns  $N-1$  child processes via `subprocess.Popen()`, where  $N$  is the number of devices (e.g. GPU) per node. It is very similar to how `torch.distributed.launch` launches processes.

**barrier** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Forces all possibly joined processes to wait for each other

**broadcast** (*obj, src=0*)

Broadcasts an object to all processes

**Return type** `object`

**model\_to\_device** ()

Moves the model to the correct device

**post\_dispatch** ()

Hook to do something after the training/evaluation/prediction finishes.

**Return type** `None`

**pre\_backward** (*closure\_loss, should\_accumulate, optimizer, opt\_idx*)

Run before precision plugin executes backward

**pre\_dispatch** ()

Hook to do something before the training/evaluation/prediction starts.

**reduce** (*tensor, group=None, reduce\_op='mean'*)

Reduces a tensor from several distributed processes to one aggregated tensor.

#### Parameters

- **tensor** – the tensor to sync and reduce
- **group** (`Optional[Any]`) – the process group to gather results from. Defaults to all processes (world)
- **reduce\_op** (`Union[ReduceOp, str, None]`) – the reduction operation. Defaults to 'mean'/'avg'. Can also be a string 'sum' to calculate the sum during reduction.

**Returns** reduced value, except when the input was not a tensor the output remains is unchanged

**setup\_environment** ()

Setup any processes or distributed connections. This is called before the LightningModule/DataModule setup hook which allows the user to access the accelerator environment before setup is complete.

**property root\_device**

Returns the root device

## DDP2Plugin

```
class pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.DDP2Plugin (parallel_devices=None,
                                                         num_nodes=1, cluster_environment=None,
                                                         sync_batchnorm=False,
                                                         ddp_comm_state=None,
                                                         ddp_comm_hook=None,
                                                         ddp_comm_wrapper=None,
                                                         **kwargs)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.ddp.DDPPlugin`

DDP2 behaves like DP in one node, but synchronization across nodes behaves like in DDP.

**model\_to\_device** ()

Moves the model to the correct device

**reduce** (*tensor*, \*args, \*\*kwargs)

Reduces a tensor from all processes to one aggregated tensor. In DDP2, the reduction here is only across local devices within the node.

#### Parameters

- **tensor** – the tensor to sync and reduce
- **\*args** – ignored for DDP2
- **\*\*kwargs** – ignored for DDP2

**Returns** reduced value, except when the input was not a tensor the output remains is unchanged

**setup** (*model*)

Called by the accelerator to finish setup.

**property root\_device**

Returns the root device

## DDPShardedPlugin

```
class pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.DDPShardedPlugin (parallel_devices=None,
                                                                num_nodes=1,
                                                                cluster_environment=None,
                                                                sync_batchnorm=False,
                                                                ddp_comm_state=None,
                                                                ddp_comm_hook=None,
                                                                ddp_comm_wrapper=None,
                                                                **kwargs)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.ddp.DDPPlugin`

Optimizer and gradient sharded training provided by FairScale.

**pre\_backward** (*closure\_loss*, *should\_accumulate*, *optimizer*, *opt\_idx*)

Run before precision plugin executes backward

**property lightning\_module**

Returns the pure LightningModule without potential wrappers

**Return type** `LightningModule`

## DDPSpawnShardedPlugin

```
class pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.DDPSpawnShardedPlugin (parallel_devices=None,
                                                                      num_nodes=1,
                                                                      cluster_environment=None,
                                                                      sync_batchnorm=False,
                                                                      ddp_comm_state=None,
                                                                      ddp_comm_hook=None,
                                                                      ddp_comm_wrapper=None,
                                                                      **kwargs)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.ddp_spawn.DDPSpawnPlugin`

Optimizer sharded training provided by FairScale.

**pre\_backward** (*closure\_loss, should\_accumulate, optimizer, opt\_idx*)

Run before precision plugin executes backward

**property lightning\_module**

Returns the pure LightningModule without potential wrappers

**Return type** *LightningModule*

## DDPSpawnPlugin

```
class pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.DDPSpawnPlugin (parallel_devices=None,
                                                             num_nodes=1,
                                                             cluster_environment=None,
                                                             sync_batchnorm=False,
                                                             ddp_comm_state=None,
                                                             ddp_comm_hook=None,
                                                             ddp_comm_wrapper=None,
                                                             **kwargs)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.parallel.ParallelPlugin`

Spawns processes using the `torch.multiprocessing.spawn()` method and joins processes after training finishes.

**barrier** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Forces all possibly joined processes to wait for each other

**broadcast** (*obj, src=0*)

Broadcasts an object to all processes

**Return type** *object*

**model\_to\_device** ()

Moves the model to the correct device

**post\_dispatch** ()

Hook to do something after the training/evaluation/prediction finishes.

**pre\_backward** (*closure\_loss, should\_accumulate, optimizer, opt\_idx*)

Run before precision plugin executes backward

**reduce** (*tensor, group=None, reduce\_op='mean'*)

Reduces a tensor from several distributed processes to one aggregated tensor.

### Parameters

- **tensor** – the tensor to sync and reduce
- **group** (*Optional[Any]*) – the process group to gather results from. Defaults to all processes (world)
- **reduce\_op** (*Union[ReduceOp, str, None]*) – the reduction operation. Defaults to ‘mean’/‘avg’. Can also be a string ‘sum’ to calculate the sum during reduction.

**Returns** reduced value, except when the input was not a tensor the output remains is unchanged

**setup** (*model*)

Called by the accelerator to finish setup.

**property root\_device**

Returns the root device

## DeepSpeedPlugin

```
class pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.DeepSpeedPlugin(zero_optimization=True,
                                                             stage=2,
                                                             cpu_offload=False,
                                                             cpu_offload_params=False,
                                                             cpu_offload_use_pin_memory=False,
                                                             contiguous_gradients=True,
                                                             overlap_comm=True,
                                                             all_gather_partitions=True,
                                                             reduce_scatter=True,
                                                             all_gather_bucket_size=200000000.0,
                                                             reduce_bucket_size=200000000.0,
                                                             zero_allow_untested_optimizer=True,
                                                             logging_batch_size_per_gpu='auto',
                                                             config=None,
                                                             logging_level=30,
                                                             num_nodes=1,
                                                             parallel_devices=None,
                                                             cluster_environment=None,
                                                             loss_scale=0,
                                                             initial_scale_power=16,
                                                             loss_scale_window=1000,
                                                             hysteresis=2,
                                                             min_loss_scale=1,
                                                             partition_activations=False,
                                                             cpu_checkpointing=False,
                                                             contiguous_memory_optimization=False,
                                                             synchronize_checkpoint_boundary=False,
                                                             save_full_weights=True)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.ddp.DDPPlugin`

Provides capabilities to run training using the DeepSpeed library, with training optimizations for large billion parameter models. *For more information:* <https://www.deepspeed.ai/>.

<b>Warning:</b> DeepSpeedPlugin is in beta and subject to change.
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Defaults have been set to enable ZeRO-Offload and some have been taken from the link below. These defaults have been set generally, but may require tuning for optimum performance based on your model size. *For more information:* <https://www.deepspeed.ai/docs/config-json/#zero-optimizations-for-fp16-training>.

### Parameters

- **zero\_optimization** (bool) – Enable ZeRO optimization. This is only compatible with precision=16. (default: True)
- **stage** (int) – Different stages of the ZeRO Optimizer. 0 is disabled, 1 is optimizer state partitioning, 2 is optimizer+gradient state partitioning (default: 2)
- **cpu\_offload** (bool) – Enable offloading optimizer memory and computation to CPU
- **cpu\_offload\_params** (bool) – When using ZeRO stage 3, offload parameters to CPU
- **cpu\_offload\_use\_pin\_memory** (bool) – When using ZeRO stage 3, pin memory on CPU
- **contiguous\_gradients** (bool) – Copies gradients to a continuous buffer as they are produced. Avoids memory fragmentation during backwards. Useful when training large models. (default: True)
- **overlap\_comm** (bool) – Overlap the reduction (synchronization) of gradients with the backwards computation. This is a speed optimization when training across multiple GPUs/machines. (default: True)
- **allgather\_partitions** (bool) – All gather updated parameters at the end of training step, instead of using a series of broadcast collectives (default: True)
- **reduce\_scatter** (bool) – Use reduce/scatter instead of allreduce to average gradients (default: True)
- **allgather\_bucket\_size** (int) – Number of elements to allgather at once. Used to limit the memory required for larger model sizes, with a tradeoff with speed. (default: 2e8)
- **reduce\_bucket\_size** (int) – Number of elements to reduce at once. Used to limit the memory required for larger model sizes, with a tradeoff with speed (default: 2e8)
- **zero\_allow\_untested\_optimizer** (bool) – Allow untested optimizers to be used with ZeRO. Currently only Adam is a DeepSpeed supported optimizer when using ZeRO (default: True)
- **logging\_batch\_size\_per\_gpu** (Union[str, int]) – Config used in DeepSpeed to calculate verbose timing for logging on a per sample per second basis (only displayed if logging=logging.INFO). If set to “auto”, the plugin tries to infer this from the train DataLoader’s BatchSampler, else defaults to 1. To obtain accurate logs when using datasets that do not support batch samplers, set this to the actual per gpu batch size (trainer.batch\_size).
- **config** (Union[Path, str, dict, None]) – Pass in a deepspeed formatted config dict, or path to a deepspeed config: <https://www.deepspeed.ai/docs/config-json>. All defaults will be ignored if a config is passed in. (Default: None)
- **logging\_level** (int) – Set logging level for deepspeed. (Default: logging.WARN)
- **loss\_scale** (float) – Loss scaling value for FP16 training. 0.0 results in dynamic loss scaling, otherwise static (Default: 0)
- **initial\_scale\_power** (int) – Power of the initial dynamic loss scale value. Loss scale is computed by  $2^{\text{initial\_scale\_power}}$  (Default: 32)

- **loss\_scale\_window** (int) – Window in which to raise/lower the dynamic FP16 loss scaling value (Default: 1000)
- **hysteresis** (int) – FP16 Delay shift in Dynamic Loss scaling (Default: 2)
- **min\_loss\_scale** (int) – The minimum FP16 dynamic loss scaling value (Default: 1000)
- **partition\_activations** (bool) – Enables partition activation when used with ZeRO stage 3. Still requires you to wrap your forward functions in `deep-speed.checkpointing.checkpoint`. See [deepspeed tutorial](#)
- **cpu\_checkpointing** (bool) – Offloads partitioned activations to CPU if `partition_activations` is enabled
- **contiguous\_memory\_optimization** (bool) – Copies partitioned activations so that they are contiguous in memory. Not supported by all models
- **synchronize\_checkpoint\_boundary** (bool) – Insert `torch.cuda.synchronize()` at each checkpoint boundary.
- **save\_full\_weights** (bool) – Gathers weights across all processes before saving to disk when using ZeRO Stage 3. This allows a single weight file to contain the entire model, rather than individual sharded weight files. Disable to save sharded states individually. (Default: True)

**model\_sharded\_context** ()

Provide hook to create modules in a distributed aware context. This is useful for when we'd like to shard the model instantly, which is useful for extremely large models which can save memory and initialization time.

Returns: Model parallel context.

**Return type** `Generator[None, None, None]`

**pre\_dispatch** ()

Hook to do something before the training/evaluation/prediction starts.

**restore\_model\_state\_from\_ckpt\_path** (ckpt\_path, map\_location=<function DeepSpeedPlugin.<lambda>>)

This function is used to load and restore the model state.

**Parameters**

- **ckpt\_path** (str) – Path to a checkpoint
- **map\_location** (Callable) – lambda function to map checkpoint location

**Return** checkpoint: Return loaded checkpoint bool: Whether to load optimizer / lr\_schedulers states from checkpoint

**Return type** `Tuple[Dict, bool]`

**save\_checkpoint** (checkpoint, filepath)

Save model/training states as a checkpoint file through state-dump and file-write.

**Parameters**

- **checkpoint** (Dict) – The checkpoint state dictionary
- **filepath** (str) – write-target file's path

**Return type** `None`



**update\_global\_step** (*total\_batch\_idx*, *current\_global\_step*)

Provide a hook to count optimizer step calls.

**Parameters**

- **total\_batch\_idx** `(int)` – Total number of batches seen for training
- **current\_global\_step** `(int)` – Current number of optimizer step calls

Returns: New optimizer step calls

**Return type** `int`

**property lightning\_module**

Returns the pure LightningModule without potential wrappers

## HorovodPlugin

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.HorovodPlugin` (*parallel\_devices=None*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.parallel.ParallelPlugin`

Plugin for Horovod distributed training integration.

**all\_gather** (*result*, *group=None*, *sync\_grads=False*)

Perform a all\_gather on all processes

**Return type** `Tensor`

**barrier** (*\*args*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Forces all possibly joined processes to wait for each other

**broadcast** (*obj*, *src=0*)

Broadcasts an object to all processes

**Return type** `object`

**model\_to\_device** ()

Moves the model to the correct device

**post\_backward** (*closure\_loss*, *should\_accumulate*, *optimizer*, *opt\_idx*)

Run after precision plugin executes backward

**pre\_dispatch** ()

Hook to do something before the training/evaluation/prediction starts.

**reduce** (*tensor*, *group=None*, *reduce\_op='mean'*)

Reduces a tensor from several distributed processes to one aggregated tensor.

**Parameters**

- **tensor** – the tensor to sync and reduce
- **group** `(Optional[Any])` – the process group to gather results from. Defaults to all processes (world)
- **reduce\_op** `(Union[ReduceOp, str, None])` – the reduction operation. Defaults to 'mean'/'avg'. Can also be a string 'sum' to calculate the sum during reduction.

**Returns** reduced value, except when the input was not a tensor the output remains is unchanged

**setup** (*model*)

Called by the accelerator to finish setup.

**property root\_device**

Returns the root device

## RPCPlugin

```
class pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.RPCPlugin (rpc_timeout_sec=torch.distributed.rpc.constants.D
parallel_devices=None,
num_nodes=None, cluster_environment=None,
sync_batchnorm=None,
**kwargs)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.ddp.DDPPlugin`

Backbone for RPC Plugins built on top of DDP. RPC introduces different communication behaviour than DDP. Unlike DDP, processes potentially are not required to run the same code as the main process. This leads to edge cases where logic needs to be re-defined. This class contains special cases that need to be addressed when using RPC communication when building custom RPC Plugins.

**rpc\_save\_model** (*trainer, save\_model\_fn, filepath*)

Override to save model to disk. This is required as the main process will be required to handle aggregating model states from RPC processes.

### Parameters

- **trainer** – The trainer object.
- **save\_model\_fn** (`Callable`) – The saving function to save final model.
- **filepath** (`str`) – The filepath to save the model to.

**Return type** `None`

## RPCSequentialPlugin

```
class pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.RPCSequentialPlugin (balance=None,
micro_batches=8,
check_point='except_last',
balance_mode='balance_by_size',
pipelined_backward=True,
rpc_timeout_sec=torch.distributed.r
**kwargs)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.rpc.RPCPlugin`

Provides sequential model parallelism for `nn.Sequential` module. If the module requires lots of memory, Pipe can be used to reduce this by leveraging multiple GPUs.

Pipeline parallelism comes with with checkpointing to reduce peak memory required to train while minimizing device under-utilization. This is turned on by default and can be turned off via the checkpoint argument.

You should determine the balance when defining the plugin, or you can pass an example input array via the `LightningModule` to infer a balance. The module will be partitioned into multiple devices according to the given balance. You may also rely on your own heuristics to find your own optimal configuration.

### Parameters

- **balance** (`Optional[List[int]]`) – The balance of the model, i.e [2, 2] (two layers on each GPU).
- **not provided assumes user provides an input example array to find a balance on all GPUs.** (*If*) –

- **microbatches** *(int)* – Allows for parallelization to reduce device utilization
- **splitting the batch into further smaller batches.** *(by)* –
- **checkpoint** *(str)* – Enables gradient checkpointing. ['always', 'except\_last', 'never']
- **balance\_mode** *(str)* – Type of balance heuristic to use if balance to be inferred.
  - 'balance\_by\_size': checks memory usage of each layer and determines balance
  - 'balance\_by\_time': checks time of each layer and determines balance
- **pipelined\_backward** *(Optional[bool])* – if True, call torch.autograd.backward once per microbatch on the
- **pass** *(backward)* –
- **a potential deadlock in pytorch when using tensor parallelism** *(around)* –
- **Defaults to True if** *(at)* –
- **> 1** *(get\_model\_parallel\_world\_size())* –

**barrier** (*name=None*)

Forces all possibly joined processes to wait for each other

**Return type** `None`

**post\_optimizer\_step** (*optimizer, optimizer\_idx, \*\*kwargs*)

Hook to do something after each optimizer step.

**Return type** `None`

**pre\_backward** (*closure\_loss, should\_accumulate, optimizer, opt\_idx*)

Run before precision plugin executes backward

**rpc\_save\_model** (*trainer, save\_model\_fn, filepath*)

Override to save model to disk. This is required as the main process will be required to handle aggregating model states from RPC processes.

**Parameters**

- **trainer** – The trainer object.
- **save\_model\_fn** *(Callable)* – The saving function to save final model.
- **filepath** *(str)* – The filepath to save the model to.

**Return type** `None`

## SingleTPUPlugin

```
class pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.SingleTPUPlugin(device, debug=False)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.single_device.SingleDevicePlugin`

Plugin for training on a single TPU device.

**model\_to\_device** ()

Moves the model to the correct device

**Return type** `None`

**on\_save** (*checkpoint*)

Move XLA tensors to CPU before saving Recommended on XLA Guide: [https://github.com/pytorch/xla/blob/master/API\\_GUIDE.md#saving-and-loading-xla-tensors](https://github.com/pytorch/xla/blob/master/API_GUIDE.md#saving-and-loading-xla-tensors)

**Return type** `dict`

**pre\_dispatch** ()

Hook to do something before the training/evaluation/prediction starts.

**Return type** `None`

## TPUSpawnPlugin

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.TPUSpawnPlugin` (*parallel\_devices=None*,  
*debug=False, \*\*\_*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.ddp_spawn.DDPspawnPlugin`

Plugin for training multiple TPU devices using the `torch.multiprocessing.spawn()` method.

**all\_gather** (*tensor, group=None, sync\_grads=False*)

Function to gather a tensor from several distributed processes :type

`_sphinx_paramlinks_pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.TPUSpawnPlugin.all_gather.tensor`:

`Tensor` :param `_sphinx_paramlinks_pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.TPUSpawnPlugin.all_gather.tensor`:

tensor of shape (batch, ...) :type `_sphinx_paramlinks_pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.TPUSpawnPlugin.all_gather.tensor`:

`Optional[Any]` :param `_sphinx_paramlinks_pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.TPUSpawnPlugin.all_gather.group`:

not available with TPUs :type `_sphinx_paramlinks_pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.TPUSpawnPlugin.all_gather.sync_grads`:

`bool` :param `_sphinx_paramlinks_pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.TPUSpawnPlugin.all_gather.sync_grads`:

not available with TPUs

**Return type** `Tensor`

**Returns** A tensor of shape (world\_size, batch, ...)

**barrier** (*name=None*)

Forces all possibly joined processes to wait for each other

**Return type** `None`

**broadcast** (*obj, src=0*)

Broadcasts an object to all processes

**Return type** `object`

**connect** (*model*)

Called by the accelerator to connect the accelerator and the model with this plugin

**Return type** `None`

**model\_to\_device** ()

Moves the model to the correct device

**Return type** `None`

**pre\_dispatch** ()

Hook to do something before the training/evaluation/prediction starts.

**process\_dataloader** (*dataloader*)

Wraps the dataloader if necessary

**Parameters** `dataloader` (`DataLoader`) – iterable. Ideally of type: `torch.utils.data.DataLoader`

**Return type** `None`

**reduce** (*output*, *group=None*, *reduce\_op=None*)

Reduces a tensor from several distributed processes to one aggregated tensor.

**Parameters**

- **tensor** – the tensor to sync and reduce
- **group** (`Optional[Any]`) – the process group to gather results from. Defaults to all processes (world)
- **reduce\_op** (`Union[ReduceOp, str, None]`) – the reduction operation. Defaults to ‘mean’/‘avg’. Can also be a string ‘sum’ to calculate the sum during reduction.

**Returns** reduced value, except when the input was not a tensor the output remains is unchanged

**reduce\_boolean\_decision** (*decision*)

Reduce the early stopping decision across all processes

**Return type** `bool`

**save\_checkpoint** (*checkpoint*, *filepath*)

Save model/training states as a checkpoint file through state-dump and file-write.

**Parameters**

- **checkpoint** (`Dict[str, Any]`) – dict containing model and trainer state
- **filepath** (`str`) – write-target file’s path

**Return type** `None`

**setup** (*model*)

Called by the accelerator to finish setup.

**Return type** `Module`

**property root\_device**

Returns the root device

**Return type** `device`

## 16.5.2 Precision Plugins

<i>PrecisionPlugin</i>	Base class for all plugins handling the precision-specific parts of the training.
<i>NativeMixedPrecisionPlugin</i>	Plugin for native mixed precision training with <code>torch.cuda.amp</code> .
<i>ShardedNativeMixedPrecisionPlugin</i>	Mixed Precision for Sharded Training
<i>ApexMixedPrecisionPlugin</i>	Mixed Precision Plugin based on Nvidia/Apex ( <a href="https://github.com/NVIDIA/apex">https://github.com/NVIDIA/apex</a> )
<i>DeepSpeedPrecisionPlugin</i>	Precision plugin for DeepSpeed integration.
<i>TPUHalfPrecisionPlugin</i>	Plugin that enables bfloats on TPUs
<i>DoublePrecisionPlugin</i>	Plugin for training with double ( <code>torch.float64</code> ) precision.

## PrecisionPlugin

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.PrecisionPlugin`

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.base_plugin.Plugin`

Base class for all plugins handling the precision-specific parts of the training. The static classattributes `EPSILON` and `precision` must be overwritten in child-classes and their default values reflect fp32 training.

**backward** (*model, closure\_loss, optimizer, opt\_idx, should\_accumulate, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)  
performs the actual backpropagation

### Parameters

- **model** `(LightningModule)` – the model to be optimized
- **closure\_loss** `(Tensor)` – the loss value obtained from the closure
- **optimizer** `(Optimizer)` – the optimizer to perform the step later on
- **opt\_idx** `(int)` – the optimizer’s index
- **should\_accumulate** `(bool)` – whether to accumulate gradients or not

**Return type** `Tensor`

**clip\_grad\_by\_norm** (*optimizer, clip\_val, norm\_type=2.0, eps=1e-06*)  
Clip gradients by norm

**Return type** `None`

**clip\_grad\_by\_value** (*optimizer, clip\_val*)  
Clip gradients by value

**Return type** `None`

**clip\_gradients** (*optimizer, clip\_val, gradient\_clip\_algorithm=<GradClipAlgorithmType.NORM: 'norm'>, model=None*)  
Clips the gradients

**Return type** `None`

**connect** (*model, optimizers, lr\_schedulers*)  
Connects this plugin to the accelerator and the training process

**Return type** `Tuple[Module, List[Optimizer], List[Any]]`

**master\_params** (*optimizer*)  
The master params of the model. Returns the plain model params here. Maybe different in other precision plugins.

**Return type** `Iterator[Parameter]`

**post\_optimizer\_step** (*optimizer, optimizer\_idx*)  
Hook to do something after each optimizer step.

**Return type** `None`

**pre\_optimizer\_step** (*pl\_module, optimizer, optimizer\_idx, lambda\_closure, \*\*kwargs*)  
Hook to do something before each optimizer step.

**Return type** `bool`

## NativeMixedPrecisionPlugin

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.NativeMixedPrecisionPlugin`  
 Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.mixed.MixedPrecisionPlugin`

Plugin for native mixed precision training with `torch.cuda.amp`.

**backward** (*model, closure\_loss, optimizer, opt\_idx, should\_accumulate, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)  
 performs the actual backpropagation

### Parameters

- **model** *(LightningModule)* – the model to be optimized
- **closure\_loss** *(Tensor)* – the loss value obtained from the closure
- **optimizer** *(Optimizer)* – the optimizer to perform the step later on
- **opt\_idx** *(int)* – the optimizer’s index
- **should\_accumulate** *(bool)* – whether to accumulate gradients or not

**Return type** `Tensor`

**post\_optimizer\_step** (*optimizer, optimizer\_idx*)  
 Updates the GradScaler

**Return type** `None`

**pre\_optimizer\_step** (*pl\_module, optimizer, optimizer\_idx, lambda\_closure, \*\*kwargs*)  
 always called before the optimizer step. Checks that the optimizer is not LBFGS, as this one is not supported by native amp

**Return type** `bool`

**predict\_step\_context** ()  
 Enable autocast context

**Return type** `Generator[None, None, None]`

**test\_step\_context** ()  
 Enable autocast context

**Return type** `Generator[None, None, None]`

**train\_step\_context** ()  
 Enable autocast context

**Return type** `Generator[None, None, None]`

**val\_step\_context** ()  
 Enable autocast context

**Return type** `Generator[None, None, None]`

### ShardedNativeMixedPrecisionPlugin

```
class pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.ShardedNativeMixedPrecisionPlugin
    Bases: pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.native_amp.
            NativeMixedPrecisionPlugin
    Mixed Precision for Sharded Training
    clip_grad_by_norm (optimizer, clip_val, norm_type=2.0, eps=1e-06)
        Clip gradients by norm
        Return type None
```

### ApexMixedPrecisionPlugin

```
class pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.ApexMixedPrecisionPlugin (amp_level='O2')
    Bases: pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.mixed.MixedPrecisionPlugin
    Mixed Precision Plugin based on Nvidia/Apex (https://github.com/NVIDIA/apex)
    backward (model, closure_loss, optimizer, opt_idx, should_accumulate, *args, **kwargs)
        performs the actual backpropagation
        Parameters
        • model (LightningModule) – the model to be optimized
        • closure_loss (Tensor) – the loss value obtained from the closure
        • optimizer (Optimizer) – the optimizer to perform the step later on
        • opt_idx (int) – the optimizer index
        • should_accumulate (bool) – whether to accumulate gradients or not
        Return type Tensor
    dispatch (trainer)
        Hook to do something at trainer run_stage starts.
        Return type None
    master_params (optimizer)
        The master params of the model. Returns the plain model params here. Maybe different in other precision
        plugins.
        Return type Iterator[Parameter]
    pre_optimizer_step (pl_module, optimizer, optimizer_idx, lambda_closure, **kwargs)
        always called before the optimizer step.
        Return type bool
    static reinit_scheduler_properties (optimizers, schedulers)
        Reinitializes schedulers with correct properties
        Return type None
```



## DeepSpeedPrecisionPlugin

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.DeepSpeedPrecisionPlugin` (*precision*)  
 Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.precision_plugin.PrecisionPlugin`

Precision plugin for DeepSpeed integration.

**backward** (*model, closure\_loss, optimizer, opt\_idx, should\_accumulate, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)  
 performs the actual backpropagation

### Parameters

- **model** `[LightningModule]` – the model to be optimized
- **closure\_loss** `[Tensor]` – the loss value obtained from the closure
- **optimizer** `[Optimizer]` – the optimizer to perform the step later on
- **opt\_idx** `[int]` – the optimizer’s index
- **should\_accumulate** `[bool]` – whether to accumulate gradients or not

**Return type** `Tensor`

**clip\_gradients** (*optimizer, clip\_val, gradient\_clip\_algorithm=<GradClipAlgorithmType.NORM: 'norm'>, model=None*)  
 DeepSpeed handles clipping gradients internally via the training type plugin.

**Return type** `None`

**pre\_optimizer\_step** (*pl\_module, optimizer, optimizer\_idx, lambda\_closure, \*\*kwargs*)  
 Hook to do something before each optimizer step.

**Return type** `bool`

## TPUHalfPrecisionPlugin

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.TPUHalfPrecisionPlugin`  
 Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.precision_plugin.PrecisionPlugin`

Plugin that enables bfloats on TPUs

**connect** (*model, optimizers, lr\_schedulers*)  
 Connects this plugin to the accelerator and the training process

**Return type** `Tuple[Module, List[Optimizer], List[Any]]`

## DoublePrecisionPlugin

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.DoublePrecisionPlugin`  
 Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.precision.precision_plugin.PrecisionPlugin`

Plugin for training with double (`torch.float64`) precision.

**connect** (*model, optimizers, lr\_schedulers*)  
 Converts the model to double precision and wraps the *training\_step*, *validation\_step*, *test\_step*, *predict\_step*, and *forward* methods to convert incoming floating point data to double. Does not alter *optimizers* or *lr\_schedulers*.

**Return type** `Tuple[Module, List[Optimizer], List[Any]]`

**post\_dispatch** ()  
 Hook to do something after the training/evaluation/prediction finishes.

**Return type** `None`

**predict\_step\_context()**

A context manager to change the default tensor type. See: `torch.set_default_tensor_type()`

**Return type** `Generator[None, None, None]`

**test\_step\_context()**

A context manager to change the default tensor type. See: `torch.set_default_tensor_type()`

**Return type** `Generator[None, None, None]`

**train\_step\_context()**

A context manager to change the default tensor type. See: `torch.set_default_tensor_type()`

**Return type** `Generator[None, None, None]`

**val\_step\_context()**

A context manager to change the default tensor type. See: `torch.set_default_tensor_type()`

**Return type** `Generator[None, None, None]`

## 16.5.3 Cluster Environments

<i>ClusterEnvironment</i>	Specification of a cluster environment.
<i>LightningEnvironment</i>	The default environment used by Lightning for a single node or free cluster (not managed).
<i>TorchElasticEnvironment</i>	Environment for fault-tolerant and elastic training with <a href="#">torchelastic</a>
<i>SLURMEnvironment</i>	Cluster environment for training on a cluster managed by SLURM.

### ClusterEnvironment

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.environments.ClusterEnvironment`

Bases: `abc.ABC`

Specification of a cluster environment.

**abstract** `creates_children()`

Whether the environment creates the subprocesses or not.

**Return type** `bool`

**abstract** `global_rank()`

The rank (index) of the currently running process across all nodes and devices.

**Return type** `int`

**abstract** `local_rank()`

The rank (index) of the currently running process inside of the current node.

**Return type** `int`

**abstract** `master_address()`

The master address through which all processes connect and communicate.

**Return type** `str`

**abstract master\_port()**

An open and configured port in the master node through which all processes communicate.

**Return type** `int`

**abstract node\_rank()**

The rank (index) of the node on which the current process runs.

**Return type** `int`

**teardown()**

Clean up any state set after execution finishes.

**Return type** `None`

**abstract world\_size()**

The number of processes across all devices and nodes.

**Return type** `int`

## LightningEnvironment

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.environments.LightningEnvironment`

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.environments.cluster_environment.ClusterEnvironment`

The default environment used by Lightning for a single node or free cluster (not managed).

The master process must be launched by the user and Lightning will spawn new worker processes for distributed training, either in a single node or across multiple nodes.

If the master address and port are not provided, the default environment will choose them automatically. It is recommended to use this default environment for single-node distributed training as it provides the most convenient way to launch the training script.

**creates\_children()**

Whether the environment creates the subprocesses or not.

**Return type** `bool`

**global\_rank()**

The rank (index) of the currently running process across all nodes and devices.

**Return type** `int`

**local\_rank()**

The rank (index) of the currently running process inside of the current node.

**Return type** `int`

**master\_address()**

The master address through which all processes connect and communicate.

**Return type** `str`

**master\_port()**

An open and configured port in the master node through which all processes communicate.

**Return type** `int`

**node\_rank()**

The rank (index) of the node on which the current process runs.

**Return type** `int`

**teardown()**

Clean up any state set after execution finishes.

**Return type** `None`

**world\_size()**

The number of processes across all devices and nodes.

**Return type** `int`

## TorchElasticEnvironment

**class** `pytorch_lightning.plugins.environments.TorchElasticEnvironment`

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.plugins.environments.cluster_environment.ClusterEnvironment`

Environment for fault-tolerant and elastic training with `torchelastic`

**creates\_children()**

Whether the environment creates the subprocesses or not.

**Return type** `bool`

**global\_rank()**

The rank (index) of the currently running process across all nodes and devices.

**Return type** `int`

**static is\_using\_torchelastic()**

Returns `True` if the current process was launched using the `torchelastic` command.

**Return type** `bool`

**local\_rank()**

The rank (index) of the currently running process inside of the current node.

**Return type** `int`

**master\_address()**

The master address through which all processes connect and communicate.

**Return type** `str`

**master\_port()**

An open and configured port in the master node through which all processes communicate.

**Return type** `int`

**node\_rank()**

The rank (index) of the node on which the current process runs.

**Return type** `int`

**world\_size()**

The number of processes across all devices and nodes.

**Return type** `Optional[int]`

## SLURMEnvironment

```
class pytorch_lightning.plugins.environments.SLURMEnvironment
    Bases: pytorch_lightning.plugins.environments.cluster_environment.
            ClusterEnvironment

    Cluster environment for training on a cluster managed by SLURM.

    creates_children()
        Whether the environment creates the subprocesses or not.

        Return type bool

    global_rank()
        The rank (index) of the currently running process across all nodes and devices.

        Return type int

    local_rank()
        The rank (index) of the currently running process inside of the current node.

        Return type int

    master_address()
        The master address through which all processes connect and communicate.

        Return type str

    master_port()
        An open and configured port in the master node through which all processes communicate.

        Return type int

    node_rank()
        The rank (index) of the node on which the current process runs.

        Return type int

    world_size()
        The number of processes across all devices and nodes.

        Return type int
```

## 16.6 Profiler API

<i>profilers</i>	Profiler to check if there are any bottlenecks in your code.
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### 16.6.1 profilers

#### Classes

<i>AbstractProfiler</i>	Specification of a profiler.
<i>AdvancedProfiler</i>	This profiler uses Python's cProfiler to record more detailed information about time spent in each function call recorded during a given action.

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<i>BaseProfiler</i>	If you wish to write a custom profiler, you should inherit from this class.
<i>PassThroughProfiler</i>	This class should be used when you don't want the (small) overhead of profiling.
<i>SimpleProfiler</i>	This profiler simply records the duration of actions (in seconds) and reports the mean duration of each action and the total time spent over the entire training run.

Profiler to check if there are any bottlenecks in your code.

```
class pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.AbstractProfiler
```

Bases: `abc.ABC`

Specification of a profiler.

```
abstract setup (**kwargs)
```

Execute arbitrary pre-profiling set-up steps as defined by subclass.

Return type `None`

```
abstract start (action_name)
```

Defines how to start recording an action.

Return type `None`

```
abstract stop (action_name)
```

Defines how to record the duration once an action is complete.

Return type `None`

```
abstract summary ()
```

Create profiler summary in text format.

Return type `str`

```
abstract teardown (**kwargs)
```

Execute arbitrary post-profiling tear-down steps as defined by subclass.

Return type `None`

```
class pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.AdvancedProfiler (dirpath=None,  
                                                         filename=None,  
                                                         line_count_restriction=1.0,  
                                                         out=  
                                                         put_filename=None)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.BaseProfiler`

This profiler uses Python's cProfiler to record more detailed information about time spent in each function call recorded during a given action. The output is quite verbose and you should only use this if you want very detailed reports.

#### Parameters

- **dirpath** `[Union[str, Path, None]]` – Directory path for the filename. If `dirpath` is `None` but `filename` is present, the `trainer.log_dir` (from `TensorBoardLogger`) will be used.
- **filename** `[Optional[str]]` – If present, filename where the profiler results will be saved instead of printing to stdout. The `.txt` extension will be used automatically.

- **line\_count\_restriction** (float) – this can be used to limit the number of functions reported for each action. either an integer (to select a count of lines), or a decimal fraction between 0.0 and 1.0 inclusive (to select a percentage of lines)

**Raises** **ValueError** – If you attempt to stop recording an action which was never started.

**start** (*action\_name*)

Defines how to start recording an action.

**Return type** `None`

**stop** (*action\_name*)

Defines how to record the duration once an action is complete.

**Return type** `None`

**summary** ()

Create profiler summary in text format.

**Return type** `str`

**teardown** (*stage=None*)

Execute arbitrary post-profiling tear-down steps.

Closes the currently open file and stream.

**Return type** `None`

```
class pytorch_lightning.profilerprofilers.BaseProfiler (dirpath=None, file-  
name=None, out-  
put_filename=None)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.AbstractProfiler`

If you wish to write a custom profiler, you should inherit from this class.

**describe** ()

Logs a profile report after the conclusion of run.

**Return type** `None`

**profile** (*action\_name*)

Yields a context manager to encapsulate the scope of a profiled action.

Example:

```
with self.profile('load training data'):  
    # load training data code
```

The profiler will start once you've entered the context and will automatically stop once you exit the code block.

**Return type** `None`

**setup** (*stage=None, local\_rank=None, log\_dir=None*)

Execute arbitrary pre-profiling set-up steps.

**Return type** `None`

**start** (*action\_name*)

Defines how to start recording an action.

**Return type** `None`

**stop** (*action\_name*)

Defines how to record the duration once an action is complete.

**Return type** `None`

**summary** ()

Create profiler summary in text format.

**Return type** `str`

**teardown** (*stage=None*)

Execute arbitrary post-profiling tear-down steps.

Closes the currently open file and stream.

**Return type** `None`

```
class pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.PassThroughProfiler (dirpath=None,  
                                                         filename=None,  
                                                         out-  
                                                         put_filename=None)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.BaseProfiler`

This class should be used when you don't want the (small) overhead of profiling. The Trainer uses this class by default.

**start** (*action\_name*)

Defines how to start recording an action.

**Return type** `None`

**stop** (*action\_name*)

Defines how to record the duration once an action is complete.

**Return type** `None`

**summary** ()

Create profiler summary in text format.

**Return type** `str`

```
class pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.SimpleProfiler (dirpath=None,    file-  
                                                         name=None,        ex-  
                                                         tended=True,     out-  
                                                         put_filename=None)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.BaseProfiler`

This profiler simply records the duration of actions (in seconds) and reports the mean duration of each action and the total time spent over the entire training run.

#### Parameters

- **dirpath** `[Union[str, Path, None]]` – Directory path for the filename. If `dirpath` is `None` but `filename` is present, the `trainer.log_dir` (from `TensorBoardLogger`) will be used.
- **filename** `[Optional[str]]` – If present, filename where the profiler results will be saved instead of printing to stdout. The `.txt` extension will be used automatically.

**Raises** **ValueError** – If you attempt to start an action which has already started, or if you attempt to stop recording an action which was never started.

**start** (*action\_name*)

Defines how to start recording an action.

**Return type** `None`



**stop** (*action\_name*)

Defines how to record the duration once an action is complete.

**Return type** `None`

**summary** ()

Create profiler summary in text format.

**Return type** `str`

## 16.7 Trainer API

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*trainer*

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Trainer to automate the training.

### 16.7.1 trainer

#### Classes

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*Trainer*

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Customize every aspect of training via flags

Trainer to automate the training.

```
class pytorch_lightning.trainer.trainer.Trainer (logger=True,                      check-
point_callback=True,                      call-
backs=None, default_root_dir=None,
gradient_clip_val=0.0,                      gradi-
ent_clip_algorithm='norm',                      pro-
cess_position=0,                      num_nodes=1,
num_processes=1,                      gpus=None,
auto_select_gpus=False,
tpu_cores=None,
log_gpu_memory=None,
progress_bar_refresh_rate=None,
overfit_batches=0.0,
track_grad_norm=-1,
check_val_every_n_epoch=1,
fast_dev_run=False,                      ac-
cumulate_grad_batches=1,
max_epochs=None,
min_epochs=None, max_steps=None,
min_steps=None, max_time=None,
limit_train_batches=1.0,
limit_val_batches=1.0,
limit_test_batches=1.0,
limit_predict_batches=1.0,
val_check_interval=1.0,
flush_logs_every_n_steps=100,
log_every_n_steps=50,                      accelera-
tor=None, sync_batchnorm=False,
precision=32, weights_summary='top',
weights_save_path=None,
num_sanity_val_steps=2,                      trun-
cated_bptt_steps=None,                      re-
sume_from_checkpoint=None,
profiler=None,                      bench-
mark=False, deterministic=False,
reload_data loaders_every_epoch=False,
auto_lr_find=False,                      re-
place_sampler_ddp=True,
terminate_on_nan=False,
auto_scale_batch_size=False, pre-
pare_data_per_node=True, plug-
ins=None, amp_backend='native',
amp_level='O2',                      dis-
tributed_backend=None,
move_metrics_to_cpu=False, multi-
ple_trainloader_mode='max_size_cycle',
stochastic_weight_avg=False)
```

Bases: pytorch\_lightning.trainer.properties.TrainerProperties,  
pytorch\_lightning.trainer.callback\_hook.TrainerCallbackHookMixin,  
pytorch\_lightning.trainer.model\_hooks.TrainerModelHooksMixin,  
pytorch\_lightning.trainer.optimizers.TrainerOptimizersMixin,  
pytorch\_lightning.trainer.logging.TrainerLoggingMixin, pytorch\_lightning.  
trainer.training\_tricks.TrainerTrainingTricksMixin, pytorch\_lightning.  
trainer.data\_loading.TrainerDataLoadingMixin, pytorch\_lightning.trainer.  
deprecated\_api.DeprecatedDistDeviceAttributes, pytorch\_lightning.trainer.

`deprecated_api.DeprecatedTrainerAttributes`

Customize every aspect of training via flags

### Parameters

- **`accelerator`** (Union[str, Accelerator, None]) – Previously known as `distributed_backend` (`dp`, `ddp`, `ddp2`, etc...). Can also take in an accelerator object for custom hardware.
- **`accumulate_grad_batches`** (Union[int, Dict[int, int], List[list]]) – Accumulates grads every `k` batches or as set up in the dict.
- **`amp_backend`** (str) – The mixed precision backend to use (“native” or “apex”)
- **`amp_level`** (str) – The optimization level to use (O1, O2, etc...).
- **`auto_lr_find`** (Union[bool, str]) – If set to True, will make `trainer.tune()` run a learning rate finder, trying to optimize initial learning for faster convergence. `trainer.tune()` method will set the suggested learning rate in `self.lr` or `self.learning_rate` in the LightningModule. To use a different key set a string instead of True with the key name.
- **`auto_scale_batch_size`** (Union[str, bool]) – If set to True, will *initially* run a batch size finder trying to find the largest batch size that fits into memory. The result will be stored in `self.batch_size` in the LightningModule. Additionally, can be set to either *power* that estimates the batch size through a power search or *binsearch* that estimates the batch size through a binary search.
- **`auto_select_gpus`** (bool) – If enabled and `gpus` is an integer, pick available gpus automatically. This is especially useful when GPUs are configured to be in “exclusive mode”, such that only one process at a time can access them.
- **`benchmark`** (bool) – If true enables `cuda.cudnn.benchmark`.
- **`callbacks`** (Union[List[Callback], Callback, None]) – Add a callback or list of callbacks.
- **`checkpoint_callback`** (bool) – If True, enable checkpointing. It will configure a default `ModelCheckpoint` callback if there is no user-defined `ModelCheckpoint` in `callbacks`.
- **`check_val_every_n_epoch`** (int) – Check val every `n` train epochs.
- **`default_root_dir`** (Optional[str]) – Default path for logs and weights when no `logger/ckpt_callback` passed. Default: `os.getcwd()`. Can be remote file paths such as `s3://mybucket/path` or `hdfs://path/`
- **`deterministic`** (bool) – If true enables `cuda.cudnn.deterministic`.
- **`distributed_backend`** (Optional[str]) – deprecated. Please use ‘accelerator’
- **`fast_dev_run`** (Union[int, bool]) – runs `n` if set to `n` (int) else 1 if set to True batch(es) of train, val and test to find any bugs (ie: a sort of unit test).
- **`flush_logs_every_n_steps`** (int) – How often to flush logs to disk (defaults to every 100 steps).
- **`gpus`** (Union[int, str, List[int], None]) – number of gpus to train on (int) or which GPUs to train on (list or str) applied per node
- **`gradient_clip_val`** (float) – 0 means don’t clip.
- **`gradient_clip_algorithm`** (str) – ‘value’ means `clip_by_value`, ‘norm’ means `clip_by_norm`. Default: ‘norm’

- **limit\_train\_batches** (Union[int, float]) – How much of training dataset to check (float = fraction, int = num\_batches)
- **limit\_val\_batches** (Union[int, float]) – How much of validation dataset to check (float = fraction, int = num\_batches)
- **limit\_test\_batches** (Union[int, float]) – How much of test dataset to check (float = fraction, int = num\_batches)
- **limit\_predict\_batches** (Union[int, float]) – How much of prediction dataset to check (float = fraction, int = num\_batches)
- **logger** (Union[LightningLoggerBase, Iterable[LightningLoggerBase], bool]) – Logger (or iterable collection of loggers) for experiment tracking. A True value uses the default TensorBoardLogger. False will disable logging.
- **log\_gpu\_memory** (Optional[str]) – None, 'min\_max', 'all'. Might slow performance
- **log\_every\_n\_steps** (int) – How often to log within steps (defaults to every 50 steps).
- **prepare\_data\_per\_node** (bool) – If True, each LOCAL\_RANK=0 will call prepare data. Otherwise only NODE\_RANK=0, LOCAL\_RANK=0 will prepare data
- **process\_position** (int) – orders the progress bar when running multiple models on same machine.
- **progress\_bar\_refresh\_rate** (Optional[int]) – How often to refresh progress bar (in steps). Value 0 disables progress bar. Ignored when a custom progress bar is passed to `callbacks`. Default: None, means a suitable value will be chosen based on the environment (terminal, Google COLAB, etc.).
- **profiler** (Union[BaseProfiler, str, None]) – To profile individual steps during training and assist in identifying bottlenecks.
- **overfit\_batches** (Union[int, float]) – Overfit a fraction of training data (float) or a set number of batches (int).
- **plugins** (Union[List[Union[Plugin, ClusterEnvironment, str]], Plugin, ClusterEnvironment, str, None]) – Plugins allow modification of core behavior like ddp and amp, and enable custom lightning plugins.
- **precision** (int) – Double precision (64), full precision (32) or half precision (16). Can be used on CPU, GPU or TPUs.
- **max\_epochs** (Optional[int]) – Stop training once this number of epochs is reached. Disabled by default (None). If both max\_epochs and max\_steps are not specified, defaults to max\_epochs = 1000.
- **min\_epochs** (Optional[int]) – Force training for at least these many epochs. Disabled by default (None). If both min\_epochs and min\_steps are not specified, defaults to min\_epochs = 1.
- **max\_steps** (Optional[int]) – Stop training after this number of steps. Disabled by default (None).
- **min\_steps** (Optional[int]) – Force training for at least these number of steps. Disabled by default (None).
- **max\_time** (Union[str, timedelta, Dict[str, int], None]) – Stop training after this amount of time has passed. Disabled by default (None). The time duration can be

specified in the format DD:HH:MM:SS (days, hours, minutes seconds), as a `datetime.timedelta`, or a dictionary with keys that will be passed to `datetime.timedelta`.

- **num\_nodes** (int) – number of GPU nodes for distributed training.
- **num\_processes** (int) – number of processes for distributed training with `distributed_backend="ddp_cpu"`
- **num\_sanity\_val\_steps** (int) – Sanity check runs `n` validation batches before starting the training routine. Set it to `-1` to run all batches in all validation dataloaders.
- **reload\_dataloaders\_every\_epoch** (bool) – Set to True to reload dataloaders every epoch.
- **replace\_sampler\_ddp** (bool) – Explicitly enables or disables sampler replacement. If not specified this will toggle automatically when DDP is used. By default it will add `shuffle=True` for train sampler and `shuffle=False` for val/test sampler. If you want to customize it, you can set `replace_sampler_ddp=False` and add your own distributed sampler.
- **resume\_from\_checkpoint** (Union[str, Path, None]) – Path/URL of the checkpoint from which training is resumed. If there is no checkpoint file at the path, start from scratch. If resuming from mid-epoch checkpoint, training will start from the beginning of the next epoch.
- **sync\_batchnorm** (bool) – Synchronize batch norm layers between process groups/whole world.
- **terminate\_on\_nan** (bool) – If set to True, will terminate training (by raising a `ValueError`) at the end of each training batch, if any of the parameters or the loss are NaN or +/-inf.
- **tpu\_cores** (Union[int, str, List[int], None]) – How many TPU cores to train on (1 or 8) / Single TPU to train on [1]
- **track\_grad\_norm** (Union[int, float, str]) – `-1` no tracking. Otherwise tracks that p-norm. May be set to 'inf' infinity-norm.
- **truncated\_bptt\_steps** (Optional[int]) – Deprecated in v1.3 to be removed in 1.5. Please use `truncated_bptt_steps` instead.
- **val\_check\_interval** (Union[int, float]) – How often to check the validation set. Use float to check within a training epoch, use int to check every `n` steps (batches).
- **weights\_summary** (Optional[str]) – Prints a summary of the weights when training begins.
- **weights\_save\_path** (Optional[str]) – Where to save weights if specified. Will override `default_root_dir` for checkpoints only. Use this if for whatever reason you need the checkpoints stored in a different place than the logs written in `default_root_dir`. Can be remote file paths such as `s3://mybucket/path` or `hdfs://path/` Defaults to `default_root_dir`.
- **move\_metrics\_to\_cpu** (bool) – Whether to force internal logged metrics to be moved to cpu. This can save some gpu memory, but can make training slower. Use with attention.
- **multiple\_trainloader\_mode** (str) – How to loop over the datasets when there are multiple train loaders. In 'max\_size\_cycle' mode, the trainer ends one epoch when the largest dataset is traversed, and smaller datasets reload when running out of their data. In 'min\_size' mode, all the datasets reload when reaching the minimum length of datasets.

- **stochastic\_weight\_avg** (bool) – Whether to use *Stochastic Weight Averaging (SWA)* <<https://pytorch.org/blog/pytorch-1.6-now-includes-stochastic-weight-averaging/>>\_

**fit** (model, train\_dataloader=None, val\_dataloaders=None, datamodule=None)

Runs the full optimization routine.

#### Parameters

- **model** (LightningModule) – Model to fit.
- **train\_dataloader** (Optional[Any]) – Either a single PyTorch DataLoader or a collection of these (list, dict, nested lists and dicts). In the case of multiple dataloaders, please see this [page](#)
- **val\_dataloaders** (Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], None]) – Either a single Pytorch Dataloader or a list of them, specifying validation samples. If the model has a predefined val\_dataloaders method this will be skipped
- **datamodule** (Optional[LightningDataModule]) – An instance of LightningDataModule.

**Return type** None

**predict** (model=None, dataloaders=None, datamodule=None, return\_predictions=None)

Separates from fit to make sure you never run on your predictions set until you want to. This will call the model forward function to compute predictions.

#### Parameters

- **model** (Optional[LightningModule]) – The model to predict with.
- **dataloaders** (Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], None]) – Either a single PyTorch DataLoader or a list of them, specifying inference samples.
- **datamodule** (Optional[LightningDataModule]) – The datamodule with a predict\_dataloader method that returns one or more dataloaders.
- **return\_predictions** (Optional[bool]) – Whether to return predictions. True by default except when an accelerator that spawns processes is used (not supported).

**Return type** Union[List[Any], List[List[Any]], None]

**Returns** Returns a list of dictionaries, one for each provided dataloader containing their respective predictions.

**test** (model=None, test\_dataloaders=None, ckpt\_path='best', verbose=True, datamodule=None)

Perform one evaluation epoch over the test set. It's separated from fit to make sure you never run on your test set until you want to.

#### Parameters

- **model** (Optional[LightningModule]) – The model to test.
- **test\_dataloaders** (Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], None]) – Either a single PyTorch DataLoader or a list of them, specifying test samples.
- **ckpt\_path** (Optional[str]) – Either best or path to the checkpoint you wish to test. If None, use the current weights of the model. When the model is given as argument, this parameter will not apply.
- **verbose** (bool) – If True, prints the test results.
- **datamodule** (Optional[LightningDataModule]) – An instance of LightningDataModule.

**Return type** `List[Dict[str, float]]`

**Returns** Returns a list of dictionaries, one for each test dataloader containing their respective metrics.

**tune** (*model*, *train\_dataloader=None*, *val\_dataloaders=None*, *datamodule=None*, *scale\_batch\_size\_kwargs=None*, *lr\_find\_kwargs=None*)  
Runs routines to tune hyperparameters before training.

#### Parameters

- **model** `(LightningModule)` – Model to tune.
- **train\_dataloader** `(Optional[DataLoader])` – A Pytorch DataLoader with training samples. If the model has a predefined `train_dataloader` method this will be skipped.
- **val\_dataloaders** `(Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], None])` – Either a single Pytorch DataLoader or a list of them, specifying validation samples. If the model has a predefined `val_dataloaders` method this will be skipped
- **datamodule** `(Optional[LightningDataModule])` – An instance of `LightningDataModule`.
- **scale\_batch\_size\_kwargs** `(Optional[Dict[str, Any]])` – Arguments for `scale_batch_size()`
- **lr\_find\_kwargs** `(Optional[Dict[str, Any]])` – Arguments for `lr_find()`

**Return type** `Dict[str, Union[int, _LRFinder, None]]`

**validate** (*model=None*, *val\_dataloaders=None*, *ckpt\_path='best'*, *verbose=True*, *datamodule=None*)  
Perform one evaluation epoch over the validation set.

#### Parameters

- **model** `(Optional[LightningModule])` – The model to validate.
- **val\_dataloaders** `(Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], None])` – Either a single PyTorch DataLoader or a list of them, specifying validation samples.
- **ckpt\_path** `(Optional[str])` – Either `best` or path to the checkpoint you wish to validate. If `None`, use the current weights of the model. When the model is given as argument, this parameter will not apply.
- **verbose** `(bool)` – If `True`, prints the validation results.
- **datamodule** `(Optional[LightningDataModule])` – An instance of `LightningDataModule`.

**Return type** `List[Dict[str, float]]`

**Returns** The dictionary with final validation results returned by `validation_epoch_end`. If `validation_epoch_end` is not defined, the output is a list of the dictionaries returned by `validation_step`.

## 16.8 Tuner API

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*Tuner*
Tuner class to tune your model

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### 16.8.1 Tuner

**class** pytorch\_lightning.tuner.tuning.**Tuner**(trainer)

Bases: `object`

Tuner class to tune your model

**lr\_find**(model, train\_dataloader=None, val\_dataloaders=None, datamodule=None, min\_lr=1e-08, max\_lr=1, num\_training=100, mode='exponential', early\_stop\_threshold=4.0, update\_attr=False)

Enables the user to do a range test of good initial learning rates, to reduce the amount of guesswork in picking a good starting learning rate.

#### Parameters

- **model** `(LightningModule)` – Model to tune.
- **train\_dataloader** `(Optional[DataLoader])` – A Pytorch DataLoader with training samples. If the model has a predefined train\_dataloader method this will be skipped.
- **val\_dataloaders** `(Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], None])` – Either a single Pytorch DataLoader or a list of them, specifying validation samples. If the model has a predefined val\_dataloaders method this will be skipped
- **datamodule** `(Optional[LightningDataModule])` – An instance of `LightningDataModule`.
- **min\_lr** `(float)` – minimum learning rate to investigate
- **max\_lr** `(float)` – maximum learning rate to investigate
- **num\_training** `(int)` – number of learning rates to test
- **mode** `(str)` – Search strategy to update learning rate after each batch:
  - 'exponential' (default): Will increase the learning rate exponentially.
  - 'linear': Will increase the learning rate linearly.
- **early\_stop\_threshold** `(float)` – threshold for stopping the search. If the loss at any point is larger than early\_stop\_threshold\*best\_loss then the search is stopped. To disable, set to None.
- **update\_attr** `(bool)` – Whether to update the learning rate attribute or not.

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If learning rate/lr in model or model.hparams isn't overridden when auto\_lr\_find=True, or if you are using more than one optimizer.

**Return type** `Optional[_LRFinder]`

**scale\_batch\_size**(model, train\_dataloader=None, val\_dataloaders=None, datamodule=None, mode='power', steps\_per\_trial=3, init\_val=2, max\_trials=25, batch\_arg\_name='batch\_size')

Iteratively try to find the largest batch size for a given model that does not give an out of memory (OOM) error.



### Parameters

- **model** *(LightningModule)* – Model to tune.
- **train\_dataloader** *(Optional[DataLoader])* – A Pytorch DataLoader with training samples. If the model has a predefined train\_dataloader method this will be skipped.
- **val\_dataloaders** *(Union[DataLoader, List[DataLoader], None])* – Either a single Pytorch DataLoader or a list of them, specifying validation samples. If the model has a predefined val\_dataloaders method this will be skipped
- **datamodule** *(Optional[LightningDataModule])* – An instance of *LightningDataModule*.
- **mode** *(str)* – Search strategy to update the batch size:
  - 'power' (default): Keep multiplying the batch size by 2, until we get an OOM error.
  - 'binsearch': **Initially keep multiplying by 2 and after encountering an OOM error** do a binary search between the last successful batch size and the batch size that failed.
- **steps\_per\_trial** *(int)* – number of steps to run with a given batch size. Ideally 1 should be enough to test if a OOM error occurs, however in practise a few are needed
- **init\_val** *(int)* – initial batch size to start the search with
- **max\_trials** *(int)* – max number of increase in batch size done before algorithm is terminated
- **batch\_arg\_name** *(str)* – name of the attribute that stores the batch size. It is expected that the user has provided a model or datamodule that has a hyperparameter with that name. We will look for this attribute name in the following places
  - model
  - model.hparams
  - model.datamodule
  - trainer.datamodule (the datamodule passed to the tune method)

**Return type** *Optional[int]*

## 16.9 Utilities API

<i>cli</i>	
<i>argparse</i>	
<i>seed</i>	Helper functions to help with reproducibility of models.

## 16.9.1 cli

### Classes

<i>LightningArgumentParser</i>	Extension of jsonargparse's ArgumentParser for pytorch-lightning
<i>LightningCLI</i>	Implementation of a configurable command line tool for pytorch-lightning
<i>SaveConfigCallback</i>	Saves a LightningCLI config to the log_dir when training starts

```
class pytorch_lightning.utilities.cli.LightningArgumentParser (*args,
                                                                parse_as_dict=True,
                                                                **kwargs)
```

Bases: `jsonargparse.`

Extension of jsonargparse's ArgumentParser for pytorch-lightning

Initialize argument parser that supports configuration file input

For full details of accepted arguments see `ArgumentParser.__init__`.

```
add_lightning_class_args (lightning_class, nested_key, subclass_mode=False)
```

Adds arguments from a lightning class to a nested key of the parser

#### Parameters

- **lightning\_class** `(Union[Type[Trainer], Type[LightningModule], Type[LightningDataModule]])` – Any subclass of {Trainer, LightningModule, LightningDataModule}.
- **nested\_key** `(str)` – Name of the nested namespace to store arguments.
- **subclass\_mode** `(bool)` – Whether allow any subclass of the given class.

**Return type** `None`

```
class pytorch_lightning.utilities.cli.LightningCLI (model_class,
                                                    data-
                                                    module_class=None,
                                                    save_config_callback=<class 'py-
torch_lightning.utilities.cli.SaveConfigCallback'>,
                                                    trainer_class=<class 'py-
torch_lightning.trainer.trainer.Trainer'>,
                                                    trainer_defaults=None,
                                                    seed_everything_default=None,
                                                    description='pytorch-
lightning trainer command
line tool', env_prefix='PL',
                                                    env_parse=False,
                                                    parser_kwargs=None,
                                                    sub-
                                                    class_mode_model=False,
                                                    sub-
                                                    class_mode_data=False)
```

Bases: `object`

Implementation of a configurable command line tool for pytorch-lightning

Receives as input pytorch-lightning classes, which are instantiated using a parsed configuration file and/or command line args and then runs `trainer.fit`. Parsing of configuration from environment variables can be enabled by

setting `env_parse=True`. A full configuration yaml would be parsed from `PL_CONFIG` if set. Individual settings are so parsed from variables named for example `PL_TRAINER__MAX_EPOCHS`.

Example, first implement the `trainer.py` tool as:

```
from mymodels import MyModel
from pytorch_lightning.utilities.cli import LightningCLI
LightningCLI(MyModel)
```

Then in a shell, run the tool with the desired configuration:

```
$ python trainer.py --print_config > config.yaml
$ nano config.yaml # modify the config as desired
$ python trainer.py --cfg config.yaml
```

**Warning:** `LightningCLI` is in beta and subject to change.

### Parameters

- **model\_class** (Type[*LightningModule*]) – The *LightningModule* class to train on.
- **datamodule\_class** (Optional[Type[*LightningDataModule*]]) – An optional *LightningDataModule* class.
- **save\_config\_callback** (Type[*SaveConfigCallback*]) – A callback class to save the training config.
- **trainer\_class** (Type[*Trainer*]) – An optional extension of the *Trainer* class.
- **trainer\_defaults** (Optional[Dict[str, Any]]) – Set to override *Trainer* defaults or add persistent callbacks.
- **seed\_everything\_default** (Optional[int]) – Default value for `seed_everything` argument.
- **description** (str) – Description of the tool shown when running `--help`.
- **env\_prefix** (str) – Prefix for environment variables.
- **env\_parse** (bool) – Whether environment variable parsing is enabled.
- **parser\_kwargs** (Optional[Dict[str, Any]]) – Additional arguments to instantiate *LightningArgumentParser*.
- **subclass\_mode\_model** (bool) – Whether model can be any subclass of the given class.
- **subclass\_mode\_data** (bool) – Whether datamodule can be any subclass of the given class.

**add\_arguments\_to\_parser** (parser)

Implement to add extra arguments to parser or link arguments

**Parameters** **parser** (*LightningArgumentParser*) – The argument parser object to which arguments can be added

**Return type** `None`

**add\_core\_arguments\_to\_parser** ()

Adds arguments from the core classes to the parser

**Return type** `None`

**after\_fit()**

Implement to run some code after fit has finished

**Return type** `None`

**before\_fit()**

Implement to run some code before fit is started

**Return type** `None`

**before\_instantiate\_classes()**

Implement to run some code before instantiating the classes

**Return type** `None`

**fit()**

Runs fit of the instantiated trainer class and prepared fit keyword arguments

**Return type** `None`

**init\_parser()**

Method that instantiates the argument parser

**Return type** `None`

**instantiate\_classes()**

Instantiates the classes using settings from self.config

**Return type** `None`

**instantiate\_datamodule()**

Instantiates the datamodule using self.config\_init['data'] if given

**Return type** `None`

**instantiate\_model()**

Instantiates the model using self.config\_init['model']

**Return type** `None`

**instantiate\_trainer()**

Instantiates the trainer using self.config\_init['trainer']

**Return type** `None`

**parse\_arguments()**

Parses command line arguments and stores it in self.config

**Return type** `None`

**prepare\_fit\_kwargs()**

Prepares fit\_kwargs including datamodule using self.config\_init['data'] if given

**Return type** `None`

**class** `pytorch_lightning.utilities.cli.SaveConfigCallback`(*parser*, *config*, *config\_filename='config.yaml'*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.base.Callback`

Saves a LightningCLI config to the log\_dir when training starts

**on\_train\_start**(*trainer*, *pl\_module*)

Called when the train begins.

**Return type** `None`

## 16.9.2 argparse

### Functions

<code>add_argparse_args</code>	Extends existing argparse by default attributes for <code>cls</code> .
<code>from_argparse_args</code>	Create an instance from CLI arguments.
<code>get_init_arguments_and_types</code>	Scans the class signature and returns argument names, types and default values.
<code>parse_argparser</code>	Parse CLI arguments, required for custom bool types.
<code>parse_env_variables</code>	Parse environment arguments if they are defined.

`pytorch_lightning.utilities.argparse.add_argparse_args(cls, parent_parser, *, use_argument_group=True)`

Extends existing argparse by default attributes for `cls`.

#### Parameters

- `cls` – Lightning class
- `parent_parser` (`ArgumentParser`) – The custom cli arguments parser, which will be extended by the class’s default arguments.
- `use_argument_group` – By default, this is `True`, and uses `add_argument_group` to add a new group. If `False`, this will use old behavior.

**Return type** `ArgumentParser`

**Returns** If `use_argument_group` is `True`, returns `parent_parser` to keep old workflows. If `False`, will return the new `ArgumentParser` object.

Only arguments of the allowed types (`str`, `float`, `int`, `bool`) will extend the `parent_parser`.

### Examples

```
# Option 1: Default usage. >>> import argparse >>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer >>> parser =
argparse.ArgumentParser() >>> parser = Trainer.add_argparse_args(parser) >>> args = parser.parse_args([])
```

```
# Option 2: Disable use_argument_group (old behavior). >>> import argparse >>> from pytorch_lightning
import Trainer >>> parser = argparse.ArgumentParser() >>> parser = Trainer.add_argparse_args(parser,
use_argument_group=False) >>> args = parser.parse_args([])
```

`pytorch_lightning.utilities.argparse.from_argparse_args(cls, args, **kwargs)`  
Create an instance from CLI arguments. Eventually use variables from OS environment which are defined as “PL\_<CLASS-NAME>\_<CLASS\_ARGUMENT\_NAME>”

#### Parameters

- `cls` – Lightning class
- `args` (`Union[Namespace, ArgumentParser]`) – The parser or namespace to take arguments from. Only known arguments will be parsed and passed to the `Trainer`.
- `**kwargs` – Additional keyword arguments that may override ones in the parser or namespace. These must be valid `Trainer` arguments.

### Example

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> parser = ArgumentParser(add_help=False)
>>> parser = Trainer.add_argparse_args(parser)
>>> parser.add_argument('--my_custom_arg', default='something')
>>> args = Trainer.parse_argparser(parser.parse_args(""))
>>> trainer = Trainer.from_argparse_args(args, logger=False)
```

`pytorch_lightning.utilities.argparse.get_init_arguments_and_types(cls)`

Scans the class signature and returns argument names, types and default values.

**Returns** (argument name, set with argument types, argument default value).

**Return type** List with tuples of 3 values

### Examples

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> args = get_init_arguments_and_types(Trainer)
```

`pytorch_lightning.utilities.argparse.parse_argparser(cls, arg_parser)`

Parse CLI arguments, required for custom bool types.

**Return type** Namespace

`pytorch_lightning.utilities.argparse.parse_env_variables(cls, template='PL_%(cls_name)s_%(cls_argument)s')`

Parse environment arguments if they are defined.

### Example

```
>>> from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
>>> parse_env_variables(Trainer)
Namespace()
>>> import os
>>> os.environ["PL_TRAINER_GPUS"] = '42'
>>> os.environ["PL_TRAINER_BLABLABLA"] = '1.23'
>>> parse_env_variables(Trainer)
Namespace(gpus=42)
>>> del os.environ["PL_TRAINER_GPUS"]
```

**Return type** Namespace

## 16.9.3 seed

### Functions

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`pl_worker_init_function`

The worker\_init\_fn that Lightning automatically adds to your dataloader if you previously set the seed with `seed_everything(seed, workers=True)`.

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<code>reset_seed</code>	Reset the seed to the value that <code>pytorch_lightning.utilities.seed.seed_everything()</code> previously set.
<code>seed_everything</code>	Function that sets seed for pseudo-random number generators in: <code>pytorch</code> , <code>numpy</code> , <code>python.random</code> . In addition, sets the following environment variables:

Helper functions to help with reproducibility of models.

`pytorch_lightning.utilities.seed.pl_worker_init_function(worker_id, rank=None)`

The `worker_init_fn` that Lightning automatically adds to your dataloader if you previously set the seed with `seed_everything(seed, workers=True)`. See also the PyTorch documentation on [randomness in DataLoaders](#).

`pytorch_lightning.utilities.seed.reset_seed()`

Reset the seed to the value that `pytorch_lightning.utilities.seed.seed_everything()` previously set. If `pytorch_lightning.utilities.seed.seed_everything()` is unused, this function will do nothing.

**Return type** `None`

`pytorch_lightning.utilities.seed.seed_everything(seed=None, workers=False)`

Function that sets seed for pseudo-random number generators in: `pytorch`, `numpy`, `python.random`. In addition, sets the following environment variables:

- `PL_GLOBAL_SEED`: will be passed to spawned subprocesses (e.g. `ddp_spawn` backend).
- `PL_SEED_WORKERS`: (optional) is set to 1 if `workers=True`.

#### Parameters

- **seed** (Optional[int]) – the integer value seed for global random state in Lightning. If `None`, will read seed from `PL_GLOBAL_SEED` env variable or select it randomly.
- **workers** (bool) – if set to `True`, will properly configure all dataloaders passed to the Trainer with a `worker_init_fn`. If the user already provides such a function for their dataloaders, setting this argument will have no influence. See also: `pl_worker_init_function()`.

**Return type** `int`





## BOLTS

PyTorch Lightning Bolts, is our official collection of prebuilt models across many research domains.

```
pip install lightning-bolts
```

In bolts we have:

- A collection of pretrained state-of-the-art models.
- A collection of models designed to bootstrap your research.
- A collection of callbacks, transforms, full datasets.
- All models work on CPUs, TPUs, GPUs and 16-bit precision.

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### 17.1 Quality control

The Lightning community builds bolts and contributes them to Bolts. The lightning team guarantees that contributions are:

- Rigorously Tested (CPUs, GPUs, TPUs).
- Rigorously Documented.
- Standardized via PyTorch Lightning.
- Optimized for speed.
- Checked for correctness.

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### 17.2 Example 1: Pretrained, prebuilt models

```
from pl_bolts.models import VAE, GPT2, ImageGPT, PixelCNN
from pl_bolts.models.self_supervised import AMDIM, CPCV2, SimCLR, MocoV2
from pl_bolts.models import LinearRegression, LogisticRegression
from pl_bolts.models.gans import GAN
from pl_bolts.callbacks import PrintTableMetricsCallback
from pl_bolts.datamodules import FashionMNISTDataModule, CIFAR10DataModule,   
↳ ImagenetDataModule
```

## 17.3 Example 2: Extend for faster research

Bolts are contributed with benchmarks and continuous-integration tests. This means you can trust the implementations and use them to bootstrap your research much faster.

```
from pl_bolts.models import ImageGPT
from pl_bolts.self_supervised import SimCLR

class VideoGPT(ImageGPT):

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, y = batch
        x = _shape_input(x)

        logits = self.gpt(x)
        simclr_features = self.simclr(x)

        # -----
        # do something new with GPT logits + simclr_features
        # -----

        loss = self.criterion(logits.view(-1, logits.size(-1)), x.view(-1).long())

        self.log("loss", loss)
        return loss
```

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## 17.4 Example 3: Callbacks

We also have a collection of callbacks.

```
from pl_bolts.callbacks import PrintTableMetricsCallback
import pytorch_lightning as pl

trainer = pl.Trainer(callbacks=[PrintTableMetricsCallback()])

# loss|train_loss|val_loss|epoch
# -----
# 2.2541470527648926|2.2541470527648926|2.2158432006835938|0
```

## COMMUNITY EXAMPLES

- Contextual Emotion Detection (DoubleDistilBert)
- Cotatron: Transcription-Guided Speech Encoder
- FasterRCNN object detection + Hydra
- Image Inpainting using Partial Convolutions
- MNIST on TPU
- NER (transformers, TPU)
- NeuralTexture (CVPR)
- Recurrent Attentive Neural Process
- Siamese Nets for One-shot Image Recognition
- Speech Transformers
- Transformers transfer learning (Huggingface)
- Transformers text classification
- VAE Library of over 18+ VAE flavors
- Transformers Question Answering (SQuAD)
- Atlas: End-to-End 3D Scene Reconstruction from Posed Images
- Self-Supervised Representation Learning (MoCo and BYOL)
- PyTorch-Forecasting: Time series forecasting package
- Transformers masked language modeling
- PyTorch Geometric examples with PyTorch Lightning and Hydra
- PyTorch Tabular: Deep learning with tabular data
- Asteroid: An audio source separation toolkit for researchers



## PYTORCH ECOSYSTEM EXAMPLES

- PyTorch Geometric: Deep learning on graphs and other irregular structures.



## AWS/GCP TRAINING

Lightning has a native solution for training on AWS/GCP at scale. Go to [grid.ai](https://grid.ai) to create an account.

We've designed Grid to work for Lightning users without needing to make ANY changes to their code.

To use grid, take your regular command:

```
python my_model.py --learning_rate 1e-6 --layers 2 --gpus 4
```

And change it to use the grid train command:

```
grid train --grid_gpus 4 my_model.py --learning_rate 'uniform(1e-6, 1e-1, 20)' --  
→layers '[2, 4, 8, 16]'
```

The above command will launch (20 \* 4) experiments each running on 4 GPUs (320 GPUs!) - by making ZERO changes to your code.

The *uniform* command is part of our new expressive syntax which lets you construct hyperparameter combinations using over 20+ distributions, lists, etc. Of course, you can also configure all of this using yamls which can be dynamically assembled at runtime.

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**Hint:** Grid supports the search strategy of your choice! (and much more than just sweeps)

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## COMPUTING CLUSTER

With Lightning it is easy to run your training script on a computing cluster without almost any modifications to the script. In this guide, we cover

1. General purpose cluster (not managed)
  2. SLURM cluster
  3. Custom cluster environment
  4. General tips for multi-node training
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### 21.1 1. General purpose cluster

This guide shows how to run a training job on a general purpose cluster. We recommend beginners to try this method first because it requires the least amount of configuration and changes to the code. To setup a multi-node computing cluster you need:

- 1) Multiple computers with PyTorch Lightning installed
- 2) A network connectivity between them with firewall rules that allow traffic flow on a specified *MASTER\_PORT*.
- 3) Defined environment variables on each node required for the PyTorch Lightning multi-node distributed training

PyTorch Lightning follows the design of [PyTorch distributed communication package](#). and requires the following environment variables to be defined on each node:

- *MASTER\_PORT* - required; has to be a free port on machine with *NODE\_RANK* 0
- *MASTER\_ADDR* - required (except for *NODE\_RANK* 0); address of *NODE\_RANK* 0 node
- *WORLD\_SIZE* - required; how many nodes are in the cluster
- *NODE\_RANK* - required; id of the node in the cluster

### 21.1.1 Training script setup

To train a model using multiple nodes, do the following:

1. Design your *LightningModule* (no need to add anything specific here).
2. Enable DDP in the trainer

```
# train on 32 GPUs across 4 nodes
trainer = Trainer(gpus=8, num_nodes=4, accelerator='ddp')
```

### 21.1.2 Submit a job to the cluster

To submit a training job to the cluster you need to run the same training script on each node of the cluster. This means that you need to:

1. Copy all third-party libraries to each node (usually means - distribute requirements.txt file and install it).
  2. Copy all your import dependencies and the script itself to each node.
  3. Run the script on each node.
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## 21.2 2. SLURM managed cluster

Lightning automates the details behind training on a SLURM-powered cluster. In contrast to the general purpose cluster above, the user does not start the jobs manually on each node and instead submits it to SLURM which schedules the resources and time for which the job is allowed to run.

### 21.2.1 Training script design

To train a model using multiple nodes, do the following:

1. Design your *LightningModule* (no need to add anything specific here).
2. Enable DDP in the trainer

```
# train on 32 GPUs across 4 nodes
trainer = Trainer(gpus=8, num_nodes=4, accelerator='ddp')
```

3. It's a good idea to structure your training script like this:

```
# train.py
def main(hparams):
    model = LightningTemplateModel(hparams)

    trainer = Trainer(
        gpus=8,
        num_nodes=4,
        accelerator='ddp'
    )

    trainer.fit(model)
```

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```

if __name__ == '__main__':
    root_dir = os.path.dirname(os.path.realpath(__file__))
    parent_parser = ArgumentParser(add_help=False)
    hyperparams = parser.parse_args()

    # TRAIN
    main(hyperparams)

```

#### 4. Create the appropriate SLURM job:

```

# (submit.sh)
#!/bin/bash -l

# SLURM SUBMIT SCRIPT
#SBATCH --nodes=4
#SBATCH --gres=gpu:8
#SBATCH --ntasks-per-node=8
#SBATCH --mem=0
#SBATCH --time=0-02:00:00

# activate conda env
source activate $1

# debugging flags (optional)
export NCCL_DEBUG=INFO
export PYTHONFAULTHANDLER=1

# on your cluster you might need these:
# set the network interface
# export NCCL_SOCKET_IFNAME=^docker0,lo

# might need the latest CUDA
# module load NCCL/2.4.7-1-cuda.10.0

# run script from above
srun python3 train.py

```

#### 5. If you want auto-resubmit (read below), add this line to the submit.sh script

```
#SBATCH --signal=SIGUSR1@90
```

#### 6. Submit the SLURM job

```
sbatch submit.sh
```

## 21.2.2 Wall time auto-resubmit

When you use Lightning in a SLURM cluster, it automatically detects when it is about to run into the wall time and does the following:

1. Saves a temporary checkpoint.
2. Requeues the job.
3. When the job starts, it loads the temporary checkpoint.

To get this behavior make sure to add the correct signal to your SLURM script

```
# 90 seconds before training ends
SBATCH --signal=SIGUSR1@90
```

## 21.2.3 Building SLURM scripts

Instead of manually building SLURM scripts, you can use the `SlurmCluster` object to do this for you. The `SlurmCluster` can also run a grid search if you pass in a `HyperOptArgumentParser`.

Here is an example where you run a grid search of 9 combinations of hyperparameters. See also the multi-node examples [here](#).

```
# grid search 3 values of learning rate and 3 values of number of layers for your net
# this generates 9 experiments (lr=1e-3, layers=16), (lr=1e-3, layers=32),
# (lr=1e-3, layers=64), ... (lr=1e-1, layers=64)
parser = HyperOptArgumentParser(strategy='grid_search', add_help=False)
parser.opt_list('--learning_rate', default=0.001, type=float,
                options=[1e-3, 1e-2, 1e-1], tunable=True)
parser.opt_list('--layers', default=1, type=float, options=[16, 32, 64], tunable=True)
hyperparams = parser.parse_args()

# Slurm cluster submits 9 jobs, each with a set of hyperparams
cluster = SlurmCluster(
    hyperparam_optimizer=hyperparams,
    log_path='/some/path/to/save',
)

# OPTIONAL FLAGS WHICH MAY BE CLUSTER DEPENDENT
# which interface your nodes use for communication
cluster.add_command('export NCCL_SOCKET_IFNAME=docker0,lo')

# see the output of the NCCL connection process
# NCCL is how the nodes talk to each other
cluster.add_command('export NCCL_DEBUG=INFO')

# setting a master port here is a good idea.
cluster.add_command('export MASTER_PORT=%r' % PORT)

# ***** DON'T FORGET THIS *****
# MUST load the latest NCCL version
cluster.load_modules(['NCCL/2.4.7-1-cuda.10.0'])

# configure cluster
cluster.per_experiment_nb_nodes = 12
cluster.per_experiment_nb_gpus = 8
```

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```
cluster.add_slurm_cmd(cmd='ntasks-per-node', value=8, comment='1 task per gpu')

# submit a script with 9 combinations of hyper params
# (lr=1e-3, layers=16), (lr=1e-3, layers=32), (lr=1e-3, layers=64), ... (lr=1e-1,
→ layers=64)
cluster.optimize_parallel_cluster_gpu(
    main,
    nb_trials=9, # how many permutations of the grid search to run
    job_name='name_for_queue'
)
```

The other option is that you generate scripts on your own via a bash command or use our *native solution*.

## 21.3 3. Custom cluster

Lightning provides an interface for providing your own definition of a cluster environment. It mainly consists of parsing the right environment variables to access information such as world size, global and local rank (process id), and node rank (node id). Here is an example of a custom ClusterEnvironment:

```
import os
from pytorch_lightning.plugins.environments import ClusterEnvironment

class MyClusterEnvironment(ClusterEnvironment):

    def creates_children(self) -> bool:
        # return True if the cluster is managed (you don't launch processes yourself)
        return True

    def world_size(self) -> int:
        return int(os.environ["WORLD_SIZE"])

    def global_rank(self) -> int:
        return int(os.environ["RANK"])

    def local_rank(self) -> int:
        return int(os.environ["LOCAL_RANK"])

    def node_rank(self) -> int:
        return int(os.environ["NODE_RANK"])

    def master_address(self) -> str:
        return os.environ["MASTER_ADDRESS"]

    def master_port(self) -> int:
        return int(os.environ["MASTER_PORT"])

trainer = Trainer(plugins=[MyClusterEnvironment()])
```

## 21.4 4. General tips for multi-node training

### 21.4.1 Debugging flags

When running in DDP mode, some errors in your code can show up as an NCCL issue. Set the `NCCL_DEBUG=INFO` environment variable to see the ACTUAL error.

```
python NCCL_DEBUG=INFO train.py ...
```

### 21.4.2 Distributed sampler

Normally now you would need to add a `DistributedSampler` to your dataset, however Lightning automates this for you. But if you still need to set a sampler set the Trainer flag `replace_sampler_ddp` to `False`.

Here's an example of how to add your own sampler (again, not needed with Lightning).

```
# in your LightningModule
def train_dataloader(self):
    dataset = MyDataset()
    dist_sampler = torch.utils.data.distributed.DistributedSampler(dataset)
    dataloader = DataLoader(dataset, sampler=dist_sampler)
    return dataloader

# in your training script
trainer = Trainer(replace_sampler_ddp=False)
```

## 16-BIT TRAINING

Lightning offers 16-bit training for CPUs, GPUs, and TPUs.

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### 22.1 GPU 16-bit

16-bit precision can cut your memory footprint by half. If using volta architecture GPUs it can give a dramatic training speed-up as well.

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**Note:** PyTorch 1.6+ is recommended for 16-bit

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#### 22.1.1 Native torch

When using PyTorch 1.6+ Lightning uses the native amp implementation to support 16-bit.

```
# turn on 16-bit
trainer = Trainer(precision=16, gpus=1)
```

#### 22.1.2 Apex 16-bit

If you are using an earlier version of PyTorch Lightning uses Apex to support 16-bit.

Follow these instructions to install Apex. To use 16-bit precision, do two things:

1. Install Apex
2. Set the “precision” trainer flag.

```
# -----
# OPTIONAL: on your cluster you might need to load CUDA 10 or 9
# depending on how you installed PyTorch
# see available modules
```

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```
module avail

# load correct CUDA before install
module load cuda-10.0
# -----

# make sure you've loaded a cuda version > 4.0 and < 7.0
module load gcc-6.1.0

$ pip install --no-cache-dir --global-option="--cpp_ext" --global-option="--cuda_ext" \
↪https://github.com/NVIDIA/apex
```

**Warning:** NVIDIA Apex and DDP have instability problems. We recommend native 16-bit in PyTorch 1.6+

### 22.1.3 Enable 16-bit

```
# turn on 16-bit
trainer = Trainer(amp_level='O2', precision=16)
```

If you need to configure the apex init for your particular use case or want to use a different way of doing 16-bit training, override `pytorch_lightning.core.LightningModule.configure_apex()`.

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## 22.2 TPU 16-bit

16-bit on TPUs is much simpler. To use 16-bit with TPUs set precision to 16 when using the TPU flag

```
# DEFAULT
trainer = Trainer(tpu_cores=8, precision=32)

# turn on 16-bit
trainer = Trainer(tpu_cores=8, precision=16)
```



## CHILD MODULES

Research projects tend to test different approaches to the same dataset. This is very easy to do in Lightning with inheritance.

For example, imagine we now want to train an Autoencoder to use as a feature extractor for MNIST images. We are extending our Autoencoder from the *LitMNIST*-module which already defines all the dataloading. The only things that change in the *Autoencoder* model are the init, forward, training, validation and test step.

```
class Encoder(torch.nn.Module):
    pass

class Decoder(torch.nn.Module):
    pass

class AutoEncoder(LitMNIST):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.encoder = Encoder()
        self.decoder = Decoder()
        self.metric = MSE()

    def forward(self, x):
        return self.encoder(x)

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, _ = batch

        representation = self.encoder(x)
        x_hat = self.decoder(representation)

        loss = self.metric(x, x_hat)
        return loss

    def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        self._shared_eval(batch, batch_idx, 'val')

    def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        self._shared_eval(batch, batch_idx, 'test')

    def _shared_eval(self, batch, batch_idx, prefix):
        x, _ = batch
        representation = self.encoder(x)
        x_hat = self.decoder(representation)
```

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```
loss = self.metric(x, x_hat)
self.log(f'{prefix}_loss', loss)
```

and we can train this using the same trainer

```
autoencoder = AutoEncoder()
trainer = Trainer()
trainer.fit(autoencoder)
```

And remember that the forward method should define the practical use of a `LightningModule`. In this case, we want to use the *AutoEncoder* to extract image representations

```
some_images = torch.Tensor(32, 1, 28, 28)
representations = autoencoder(some_images)
```

## DEBUGGING

The following are flags that make debugging much easier.

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### 24.1 fast\_dev\_run

This flag runs a “unit test” by running `n` if set to `n` (int) else 1 if set to `True` training and validation batch(es). The point is to detect any bugs in the training/validation loop without having to wait for a full epoch to crash.

(See: `fast_dev_run` argument of `Trainer`)

```
# runs 1 train, val, test batch and program ends
trainer = Trainer(fast_dev_run=True)

# runs 7 train, val, test batches and program ends
trainer = Trainer(fast_dev_run=7)
```

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**Note:** This argument will disable tuner, checkpoint callbacks, early stopping callbacks, loggers and logger callbacks like `LearningRateLogger` and runs for only 1 epoch.

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### 24.2 Inspect gradient norms

Logs (to a logger), the norm of each weight matrix.

(See: `track_grad_norm` argument of `Trainer`)

```
# the 2-norm
trainer = Trainer(track_grad_norm=2)
```

## 24.3 Log GPU usage

Logs (to a logger) the GPU usage for each GPU on the master machine.

(See: `log_gpu_memory` argument of `Trainer`)

```
trainer = Trainer(log_gpu_memory=True)
```

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## 24.4 Make model overfit on subset of data

A good debugging technique is to take a tiny portion of your data (say 2 samples per class), and try to get your model to overfit. If it can't, it's a sign it won't work with large datasets.

(See: `overfit_batches` argument of `Trainer`)

```
# use only 1% of training data (and use the same training dataloader (with shuffle_
↪off) in val and test)
trainer = Trainer(overfit_batches=0.01)

# similar, but with a fixed 10 batches no matter the size of the dataset
trainer = Trainer(overfit_batches=10)
```

With this flag, the train, val, and test sets will all be the same train set. We will also replace the sampler in the training set to turn off shuffle for you.

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## 24.5 Print a summary of your LightningModule

Whenever the `.fit()` function gets called, the `Trainer` will print the weights summary for the `LightningModule`. By default it only prints the top-level modules. If you want to show all submodules in your network, use the `'full'` option:

```
trainer = Trainer(weights_summary='full')
```

You can also display the intermediate input- and output sizes of all your layers by setting the `example_input_array` attribute in your `LightningModule`. It will print a table like this

	Name	Type	Params	In sizes	Out sizes
0	net	Sequential	132 K	[10, 256]	[10, 512]
1	net.0	Linear	131 K	[10, 256]	[10, 512]
2	net.1	BatchNorm1d	1.0 K	[10, 512]	[10, 512]

when you call `.fit()` on the `Trainer`. This can help you find bugs in the composition of your layers.

**See Also:**

- `weights_summary` `Trainer` argument
  - `ModelSummary`
-

## 24.6 Shorten epochs

Sometimes it's helpful to only use a percentage of your training, val or test data (or a set number of batches). For example, you can use 20% of the training set and 1% of the validation set.

On larger datasets like Imagenet, this can help you debug or test a few things faster than waiting for a full epoch.

```
# use only 10% of training data and 1% of val data
trainer = Trainer(limit_train_batches=0.1, limit_val_batches=0.01)

# use 10 batches of train and 5 batches of val
trainer = Trainer(limit_train_batches=10, limit_val_batches=5)
```

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## 24.7 Set the number of validation sanity steps

Lightning runs a few steps of validation in the beginning of training. This avoids crashing in the validation loop sometime deep into a lengthy training loop.

(See: `num_sanity_val_steps` argument of `Trainer`)

```
# DEFAULT
trainer = Trainer(num_sanity_val_steps=2)
```



## LOGGERS

Lightning supports the most popular logging frameworks (TensorBoard, Comet, etc...). TensorBoard is used by default, but you can pass to the *Trainer* any combination of the following loggers.

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**Note:** All loggers log by default to `os.getcwd()`. To change the path without creating a logger set `Trainer(default_root_dir='/your/path/to/save/checkpoints')`

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Read more about *logging* options.

To log arbitrary artifacts like images or audio samples use the `trainer.log_dir` property to resolve the path.

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    img = ...
    log_image(img, self.trainer.log_dir)
```

### 25.1 Comet.ml

Comet.ml is a third-party logger. To use *CometLogger* as your logger do the following. First, install the package:

```
pip install comet-ml
```

Then configure the logger and pass it to the *Trainer*:

```
import os
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import CometLogger
comet_logger = CometLogger(
    api_key=os.environ.get('COMET_API_KEY'),
    workspace=os.environ.get('COMET_WORKSPACE'), # Optional
    save_dir='.', # Optional
    project_name='default_project', # Optional
    rest_api_key=os.environ.get('COMET_REST_API_KEY'), # Optional
    experiment_name='default' # Optional
)
trainer = Trainer(logger=comet_logger)
```

The *CometLogger* is available anywhere except `__init__` in your *LightningModule*.

```
class MyModule(LightningModule):
    def any_lightning_module_function_or_hook(self):
        some_img = fake_image()
        self.logger.experiment.add_image('generated_images', some_img, 0)
```

See also:

[CometLogger](#) docs.

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## 25.2 MLflow

[MLflow](#) is a third-party logger. To use [MLFlowLogger](#) as your logger do the following. First, install the package:

```
pip install mlflow
```

Then configure the logger and pass it to the *Trainer*:

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import MLFlowLogger
mlf_logger = MLFlowLogger(
    experiment_name="default",
    tracking_uri="file:./ml-runs"
)
trainer = Trainer(logger=mlf_logger)
```

See also:

[MLFlowLogger](#) docs.

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## 25.3 Neptune.ai

[Neptune.ai](#) is a third-party logger. To use [NeptuneLogger](#) as your logger do the following. First, install the package:

```
pip install neptune-client
```

Then configure the logger and pass it to the *Trainer*:

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import NeptuneLogger

neptune_logger = NeptuneLogger(
    api_key='ANONYMOUS', # replace with your own
    project_name='shared/pytorch-lightning-integration',
    experiment_name='default', # Optional,
    params={'max_epochs': 10}, # Optional,
    tags=['pytorch-lightning', 'mlp'], # Optional,
)
trainer = Trainer(logger=neptune_logger)
```

The [NeptuneLogger](#) is available anywhere except `__init__` in your *LightningModule*.

```
class MyModule(LightningModule):
    def any_lightning_module_function_or_hook(self):
        some_img = fake_image()
        self.logger.experiment.add_image('generated_images', some_img, 0)
```



See also:

[NeptuneLogger](#) docs.

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## 25.4 Tensorboard

To use [TensorBoard](#) as your logger do the following.

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import TensorBoardLogger
logger = TensorBoardLogger('tb_logs', name='my_model')
trainer = Trainer(logger=logger)
```

The [TensorBoardLogger](#) is available anywhere except `__init__` in your [LightningModule](#).

```
class MyModule(LightningModule):
    def any_lightning_module_function_or_hook(self):
        some_img = fake_image()
        self.logger.experiment.add_image('generated_images', some_img, 0)
```

See also:

[TensorBoardLogger](#) docs.

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## 25.5 Test Tube

[Test Tube](#) is a [TensorBoard](#) logger but with nicer file structure. To use [TestTubeLogger](#) as your logger do the following. First, install the package:

```
pip install test_tube
```

Then configure the logger and pass it to the [Trainer](#):

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import TestTubeLogger
logger = TestTubeLogger('tb_logs', name='my_model')
trainer = Trainer(logger=logger)
```

The [TestTubeLogger](#) is available anywhere except `__init__` in your [LightningModule](#).

```
class MyModule(LightningModule):
    def any_lightning_module_function_or_hook(self):
        some_img = fake_image()
        self.logger.experiment.add_image('generated_images', some_img, 0)
```

See also:

[TestTubeLogger](#) docs.

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## 25.6 Weights and Biases

Weights and Biases is a third-party logger. To use *WandbLogger* as your logger do the following. First, install the package:

```
pip install wandb
```

Then configure the logger and pass it to the *Trainer*:

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import WandbLogger
wandb_logger = WandbLogger(offline=True)
trainer = Trainer(logger=wandb_logger)
```

The *WandbLogger* is available anywhere except `__init__` in your *LightningModule*.

```
class MyModule(LightningModule):
    def any_lightning_module_function_or_hook(self):
        some_img = fake_image()
        self.logger.experiment.log({
            "generated_images": [wandb.Image(some_img, caption="...")]
        })
```

See also:

*WandbLogger* docs.

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## 25.7 Multiple Loggers

Lightning supports the use of multiple loggers, just pass a list to the *Trainer*.

```
from pytorch_lightning.loggers import TensorBoardLogger, TestTubeLogger
logger1 = TensorBoardLogger('tb_logs', name='my_model')
logger2 = TestTubeLogger('tb_logs', name='my_model')
trainer = Trainer(logger=[logger1, logger2])
```

The loggers are available as a list anywhere except `__init__` in your *LightningModule*.

```
class MyModule(LightningModule):
    def any_lightning_module_function_or_hook(self):
        some_img = fake_image()
        # Option 1
        self.logger.experiment[0].add_image('generated_images', some_img, 0)
        # Option 2
        self.logger[0].experiment.add_image('generated_images', some_img, 0)
```

## EARLY STOPPING

### 26.1 Stopping an epoch early

You can stop an epoch early by overriding `on_train_batch_start()` to return `-1` when some condition is met. If you do this repeatedly, for every epoch you had originally requested, then this will stop your entire run.

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### 26.2 Early stopping based on metric using the EarlyStopping Callback

The `EarlyStopping` callback can be used to monitor a validation metric and stop the training when no improvement is observed.

To enable it:

- Import `EarlyStopping` callback.
- Log the metric you want to monitor using `log()` method.
- Init the callback, and set `monitor` to the logged metric of your choice.
- Pass the `EarlyStopping` callback to the `Trainer` callbacks flag.

```
from pytorch_lightning.callbacks.early_stopping import EarlyStopping

def validation_step(...):
    self.log('val_loss', loss)

trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[EarlyStopping(monitor='val_loss')])
```

You can customize the callbacks behaviour by changing its parameters.

```
early_stop_callback = EarlyStopping(
    monitor='val_accuracy',
    min_delta=0.00,
    patience=3,
    verbose=False,
    mode='max'
```

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```
)  
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[early_stop_callback])
```

Additional parameters that stop training at extreme points:

- `stopping_threshold`: Stops training immediately once the monitored quantity reaches this threshold. It is useful when we know that going beyond a certain optimal value does not further benefit us.
- `divergence_threshold`: Stops training as soon as the monitored quantity becomes worse than this threshold. When reaching a value this bad, we believe the model cannot recover anymore and it is better to stop early and run with different initial conditions.
- `check_finite`: When turned on, we stop training if the monitored metric becomes NaN or infinite.

In case you need early stopping in a different part of training, subclass `EarlyStopping` and change where it is called:

```
class MyEarlyStopping(EarlyStopping):  
  
    def on_validation_end(self, trainer, pl_module):  
        # override this to disable early stopping at the end of val loop  
        pass  
  
    def on_train_end(self, trainer, pl_module):  
        # instead, do it at the end of training loop  
        self._run_early_stopping_check(trainer, pl_module)
```

---

**Note:** The `EarlyStopping` callback runs at the end of every validation epoch, which, under the default configuration, happen after every training epoch. However, the frequency of validation can be modified by setting various parameters in the `Trainer`, for example `check_val_every_n_epoch` and `val_check_interval`. It must be noted that the `patience` parameter counts the number of validation epochs with no improvement, and not the number of training epochs. Therefore, with parameters `check_val_every_n_epoch=10` and `patience=3`, the trainer will perform at least 40 training epochs before being stopped.

---

See also:

- `Trainer`
- `EarlyStopping`

## FAST TRAINING

There are multiple options to speed up different parts of the training by choosing to train on a subset of data. This could be done for speed or debugging purposes.

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### 27.1 Check validation every n epochs

If you have a small dataset you might want to check validation every n epochs

```
# DEFAULT
trainer = Trainer(check_val_every_n_epoch=1)
```

---

### 27.2 Force training for min or max epochs

It can be useful to force training for a minimum number of epochs or limit to a max number.

**See also:**

*Trainer*

```
# DEFAULT
trainer = Trainer(min_epochs=1, max_epochs=1000)
```

---

### 27.3 Set validation check frequency within 1 training epoch

For large datasets it's often desirable to check validation multiple times within a training loop. Pass in a float to check that often within 1 training epoch. Pass in an int *k* to check every *k* training batches. Must use an *int* if using an *IterableDataset*.

```
# DEFAULT
trainer = Trainer(val_check_interval=0.95)

# check every .25 of an epoch
trainer = Trainer(val_check_interval=0.25)
```

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```
# check every 100 train batches (ie: for `IterableDatasets` or fixed frequency)
trainer = Trainer(val_check_interval=100)
```

---

## 27.4 Use data subset for training, validation, and test

If you don't want to check 100% of the training/validation/test set (for debugging or if it's huge), set these flags.

```
# DEFAULT
trainer = Trainer(
    limit_train_batches=1.0,
    limit_val_batches=1.0,
    limit_test_batches=1.0
)

# check 10%, 20%, 30% only, respectively for training, validation and test set
trainer = Trainer(
    limit_train_batches=0.1,
    limit_val_batches=0.2,
    limit_test_batches=0.3
)
```

If you also pass `shuffle=True` to the dataloader, a different random subset of your dataset will be used for each epoch; otherwise the same subset will be used for all epochs.

---

**Note:** `limit_train_batches`, `limit_val_batches` and `limit_test_batches` will be overwritten by `overfit_batches` if `overfit_batches > 0`. `limit_val_batches` will be ignored if `fast_dev_run=True`.

---

---

**Note:** If you set `limit_val_batches=0`, validation will be disabled.

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## HYPERPARAMETERS

Lightning has utilities to interact seamlessly with the command line `ArgumentParser` and plays well with the hyperparameter optimization framework of your choice.

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### 28.1 `ArgumentParser`

Lightning is designed to augment a lot of the functionality of the built-in Python `ArgumentParser`

```
from argparse import ArgumentParser
parser = ArgumentParser()
parser.add_argument('--layer_1_dim', type=int, default=128)
args = parser.parse_args()
```

This allows you to call your program like so:

```
python trainer.py --layer_1_dim 64
```

---

### 28.2 `Argparser` Best Practices

It is best practice to layer your arguments in three sections.

1. Trainer args (gpus, num\_nodes, etc...)
2. Model specific arguments (layer\_dim, num\_layers, learning\_rate, etc...)
3. Program arguments (data\_path, cluster\_email, etc...)

We can do this as follows. First, in your `LightningModule`, define the arguments specific to that module. Remember that data splits or data paths may also be specific to a module (i.e.: if your project has a model that trains on Imagenet and another on CIFAR-10).

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):

    @staticmethod
    def add_model_specific_args(parent_parser):
        parser = parent_parser.add_argument_group("LitModel")
        parser.add_argument('--encoder_layers', type=int, default=12)
        parser.add_argument('--data_path', type=str, default='/some/path')
        return parent_parser
```

Now in your main trainer file, add the Trainer args, the program args, and add the model args

```
# -----
# trainer_main.py
# -----
from argparse import ArgumentParser
parser = ArgumentParser()

# add PROGRAM level args
parser.add_argument('--conda_env', type=str, default='some_name')
parser.add_argument('--notification_email', type=str, default='will@email.com')

# add model specific args
parser = LitModel.add_model_specific_args(parser)

# add all the available trainer options to argparse
# ie: now --gpus --num_nodes ... --fast_dev_run all work in the cli
parser = Trainer.add_argparse_args(parser)

args = parser.parse_args()
```

Now you can call run your program like so:

```
python trainer_main.py --gpus 2 --num_nodes 2 --conda_env 'my_env' --encoder_layers 12
```

Finally, make sure to start the training like so:

```
# init the trainer like this
trainer = Trainer.from_argparse_args(args, early_stopping_callback=...)

# NOT like this
trainer = Trainer(gpus=hparams.gpus, ...)

# init the model with Namespace directly
model = LitModel(args)

# or init the model with all the key-value pairs
dict_args = vars(args)
model = LitModel(**dict_args)
```



## 28.3 LightningModule hyperparameters

Often times we train many versions of a model. You might share that model or come back to it a few months later at which point it is very useful to know how that model was trained (i.e.: what learning rate, neural network, etc...).

Lightning has a few ways of saving that information for you in checkpoints and yaml files. The goal here is to improve readability and reproducibility.

1. The first way is to ask lightning to save the values of anything in the `__init__` for you to the checkpoint. This also makes those values available via `self.hparams`.

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, layer_1_dim=128, learning_rate=1e-2, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        # call this to save (layer_1_dim=128, learning_rate=1e-4) to the_
        ↪checkpoint
        self.save_hyperparameters()

        # equivalent
        self.save_hyperparameters('layer_1_dim', 'learning_rate')

        # Now possible to access layer_1_dim from hparams
        self.hparams.layer_1_dim
```

2. Sometimes your init might have objects or other parameters you might not want to save. In that case, choose only a few

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, loss_fx, generator_network, layer_1_dim=128 **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        self.layer_1_dim = layer_1_dim
        self.loss_fx = loss_fx

        # call this to save (layer_1_dim=128) to the checkpoint
        self.save_hyperparameters('layer_1_dim')

# to load specify the other args
model = LitMNIST.load_from_checkpoint(PATH, loss_fx=torch.nn.SomeOtherLoss,
    ↪generator_network=MyGenerator())
```

3. Assign to `self.hparams`. Anything assigned to `self.hparams` will also be saved automatically.

```
# using a argparse.Namespace
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self, hparams, *args, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        self.hparams = hparams
        self.layer_1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, self.hparams.layer_1_dim)
        self.layer_2 = nn.Linear(self.hparams.layer_1_dim, self.hparams.layer_2_
        ↪dim)
        self.layer_3 = nn.Linear(self.hparams.layer_2_dim, 10)
    def train_dataloader(self):
        return DataLoader(mnist_train, batch_size=self.hparams.batch_size)
```

4. You can also save full objects such as `dict` or `Namespace` to the checkpoint.

```
# using a argparse.Namespace
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, conf, *args, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        self.save_hyperparameters(conf)

        self.layer_1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, self.hparams.layer_1_dim)
        self.layer_2 = nn.Linear(self.hparams.layer_1_dim, self.hparams.layer_2_
→dim)
        self.layer_3 = nn.Linear(self.hparams.layer_2_dim, 10)

conf = OmegaConf.create(...)
model = LitMNIST(conf)

# Now possible to access any stored variables from hparams
model.hparams.anything
```

---

## 28.4 Trainer args

To recap, add ALL possible trainer flags to the argparse and init the Trainer this way

```
parser = ArgumentParser()
parser = Trainer.add_argparse_args(parser)
hparams = parser.parse_args()

trainer = Trainer.from_argparse_args(hparams)

# or if you need to pass in callbacks
trainer = Trainer.from_argparse_args(hparams, checkpoint_callback=..., callbacks=[...
→])
```

---

## 28.5 Multiple Lightning Modules

We often have multiple Lightning Modules where each one has different arguments. Instead of polluting the `main.py` file, the `LightningModule` lets you define arguments for each one.

```
class LitMNIST(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, layer_1_dim, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        self.layer_1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, layer_1_dim)

    @staticmethod
    def add_model_specific_args(parent_parser):
        parser = parent_parser.add_argument_group("LitMNIST")
        parser.add_argument('--layer_1_dim', type=int, default=128)
        return parent_parser
```

```

class GoodGAN(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, encoder_layers, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        self.encoder = Encoder(layers=encoder_layers)

    @staticmethod
    def add_model_specific_args(parent_parser):
        parser = parent_parser.add_argument_group("GoodGAN")
        parser.add_argument('--encoder_layers', type=int, default=12)
        return parent_parser

```

Now we can allow each model to inject the arguments it needs in the `main.py`

```

def main(args):
    dict_args = vars(args)

    # pick model
    if args.model_name == 'gan':
        model = GoodGAN(**dict_args)
    elif args.model_name == 'mnist':
        model = LitMNIST(**dict_args)

    trainer = Trainer.from_argparse_args(args)
    trainer.fit(model)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    parser = ArgumentParser()
    parser = Trainer.add_argparse_args(parser)

    # figure out which model to use
    parser.add_argument('--model_name', type=str, default='gan', help='gan or mnist')

    # THIS LINE IS KEY TO PULL THE MODEL NAME
    temp_args, _ = parser.parse_known_args()

    # let the model add what it wants
    if temp_args.model_name == 'gan':
        parser = GoodGAN.add_model_specific_args(parser)
    elif temp_args.model_name == 'mnist':
        parser = LitMNIST.add_model_specific_args(parser)

    args = parser.parse_args()

    # train
    main(args)

```

and now we can train MNIST or the GAN using the command line interface!

```

$ python main.py --model_name gan --encoder_layers 24
$ python main.py --model_name mnist --layer_1_dim 128

```



## LIGHTNING CLI AND CONFIG FILES

Another source of boilerplate code that Lightning can help to reduce is in the implementation of training command line tools. Furthermore, it provides a standardized way to configure trainings using a single file that includes settings for *Trainer* and user extended *LightningModule* and *LightningDataModule* classes. The full configuration is automatically saved in the log directory. This has the benefit of greatly simplifying the reproducibility of experiments.

The main requirement for user extended classes to be made configurable is that all relevant init arguments must have type hints. This is not a very demanding requirement since it is good practice to do anyway. As a bonus if the arguments are described in the docstrings, then the help of the training tool will display them.

**Warning:** LightningCLI is in beta and subject to change.

---

### 29.1 LightningCLI

The implementation of training command line tools is done via the *LightningCLI* class. The minimal installation of pytorch-lightning does not include this support. To enable it either install lightning with the `all extras` require or install the package `jsonargparse[signatures]`.

The case in which the user's *LightningModule* class implements all required `*_dataloader` methods, a `trainer.py` tool can be as simple as:

```
from pytorch_lightning.utilities.cli import LightningCLI

cli = LightningCLI(MyModel)
```

The help of the tool describing all configurable options and default values can be shown by running `python trainer.py --help`. Default options can be changed by providing individual command line arguments. However, it is better practice to create a configuration file and provide this to the tool. A way to do this would be:

```
# Dump default configuration to have as reference
python trainer.py --print_config > default_config.yaml
# Create config including only options to modify
nano config.yaml
# Run training using created configuration
python trainer.py --config config.yaml
```

The instantiation of the *LightningCLI* class takes care of parsing command line and config file options, instantiating the classes, setting up a callback to save the config in the log directory and finally running `trainer.fit()`. The resulting object `cli` can be used for instance to get the result of fit, i.e., `cli.fit_result`.

After multiple trainings with different configurations, each run will have in its respective log directory a `config.yaml` file. This file can be used for reference to know in detail all the settings that were used for each particular run, and also could be used to trivially reproduce a training, e.g.:

```
python trainer.py --config lightning_logs/version_7/config.yaml
```

If a separate `LightningDataModule` class is required, the trainer tool just needs a small modification as follows:

```
from pytorch_lightning.utilities.cli import LightningCLI

cli = LightningCLI(MyModel, MyDataModule)
```

The start of a possible implementation of `MyModel` including the recommended argument descriptions in the docstring could be the one below. Note that by using type hints and docstrings there is no need to duplicate this information to define its configurable arguments.

```
class MyModel(LightningModule):

    def __init__(
        self,
        encoder_layers: int = 12,
        decoder_layers: List[int] = [2, 4]
    ):
        """Example encoder-decoder model

        Args:
            encoder_layers: Number of layers for the encoder
            decoder_layers: Number of layers for each decoder block
        """
        super().__init__()
        self.save_hyperparameters()
```

With this model class, the help of the trainer tool would look as follows:

```
$ python trainer.py --help
usage: trainer.py [-h] [--print_config] [--config CONFIG]
                  [--trainer.logger LOGGER]
                  ...

pytorch-lightning trainer command line tool

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  --print_config         print configuration and exit
  --config CONFIG       Path to a configuration file in json or yaml format.
                        (default: null)

Customize every aspect of training via flags:
...
--trainer.max_epochs MAX_EPOCHS
                        Stop training once this number of epochs is reached.
                        (type: int, default: 1000)
--trainer.min_epochs MIN_EPOCHS
                        Force training for at least these many epochs (type: int,
                        default: 1)
...

Example encoder-decoder model:
```

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```
--model.encoder_layers ENCODER_LAYERS
    Number of layers for the encoder (type: int, default: 12)
--model.decoder_layers DECODER_LAYERS
    Number of layers for each decoder block (type: List[int],
    default: [2, 4])
```

The default configuration that option `--print_config` gives is in yaml format and for the example above would look as follows:

```
$ python trainer.py --print_config
model:
  decoder_layers:
    - 2
    - 4
  encoder_layers: 12
trainer:
  accelerator: null
  accumulate_grad_batches: 1
  amp_backend: native
  amp_level: O2
  ...
```

Note that there is a section for each class (model and trainer) including all the init parameters of the class. This grouping is also used in the formatting of the help shown previously.

## 29.2 Trainer Callbacks and arguments with class type

A very important argument of the *Trainer* class is the callbacks. In contrast to other more simple arguments which just require numbers or strings, callbacks expects a list of instances of subclasses of *Callback*. To specify this kind of argument in a config file, each callback must be given as a dictionary including a `class_path` entry with an import path of the class, and optionally an `init_args` entry with arguments required to instantiate it. Therefore, a simple configuration file example that defines a couple of callbacks is the following:

```
trainer:
  callbacks:
    - class_path: pytorch_lightning.callbacks.EarlyStopping
      init_args:
        patience: 5
    - class_path: pytorch_lightning.callbacks.LearningRateMonitor
      init_args:
        ...
```

Similar to the callbacks, any arguments in *Trainer* and user extended *LightningModule* and *LightningDataModule* classes that have as type hint a class can be configured the same way using `class_path` and `init_args`.

## 29.3 Multiple models and/or datasets

In the previous examples *LightningCLI* works only for a single model and datamodule class. However, there are many cases in which the objective is to easily be able to run many experiments for multiple models and datasets. For these cases the tool can be configured such that a model and/or a datamodule is specified by an import path and init arguments. For example, with a tool implemented as:

```
from pytorch_lightning.utilities.cli import LightningCLI

cli = LightningCLI(
    MyModelBaseClass,
    MyDataModuleBaseClass,
    subclass_mode_model=True,
    subclass_mode_data=True
)
```

A possible config file could be as follows:

```
model:
  class_path: mycode.mymodels.MyModel
  init_args:
    decoder_layers:
      - 2
      - 4
    encoder_layers: 12
data:
  class_path: mycode.mydatamodules.MyDataModule
  init_args:
    ...
trainer:
  callbacks:
    - class_path: pytorch_lightning.callbacks.EarlyStopping
      init_args:
        patience: 5
    ...
```

Only model classes that are a subclass of *MyModelBaseClass* would be allowed, and similarly only subclasses of *MyDataModuleBaseClass*. If as base classes *LightningModule* and *LightningDataModule* are given, then the tool would allow any lightning module and data module.

**Tip:** Note that with the subclass modes the `--help` option does not show information for a specific subclass. To get help for a subclass the options `--model.help` and `--data.help` can be used, followed by the desired class path. Similarly `--print_config` does not include the settings for a particular subclass. To include them the class path should be given before the `--print_config` option. Examples for both help and print config are:

```
$ python trainer.py --model.help mycode.mymodels.MyModel
$ python trainer.py --model mycode.mymodels.MyModel --print_config
```



## 29.4 Models with multiple submodules

Many use cases require to have several modules each with its own configurable options. One possible way to handle this with LightningCLI is to implement a single module having as init parameters each of the submodules. Since the init parameters have as type a class, then in the configuration these would be specified with `class_path` and `init_args` entries. For instance a model could be implemented as:

```
class MyMainModel(LightningModule):

    def __init__(
        self,
        encoder: EncoderBaseClass,
        decoder: DecoderBaseClass
    ):
        """Example encoder-decoder submodules model

        Args:
            encoder: Instance of a module for encoding
            decoder: Instance of a module for decoding
        """
        super().__init__()
        self.encoder = encoder
        self.decoder = decoder
```

If the CLI is implemented as LightningCLI (MyMainModel) the configuration would be as follows:

```
model:
  encoder:
    class_path: mycode.myencoders.MyEncoder
    init_args:
      ...
  decoder:
    class_path: mycode.mydecoders.MyDecoder
    init_args:
      ...
```

It is also possible to combine `subclass_mode_model=True` and submodules, thereby having two levels of `class_path`.

## 29.5 Customizing LightningCLI

The init parameters of the `LightningCLI` class can be used to customize some things, namely: the description of the tool, enabling parsing of environment variables and additional arguments to instantiate the trainer and configuration parser.

Nevertheless the init arguments are not enough for many use cases. For this reason the class is designed so that can be extended to customize different parts of the command line tool. The argument parser class used by `LightningCLI` is `LightningArgumentParser` which is an extension of python's `argparse`, thus adding arguments can be done using the `add_argument()` method. In contrast to `argparse` it has additional methods to add arguments, for example `add_class_arguments()` adds all arguments from the init of a class, though requiring parameters to have type hints. For more details about this please refer to the [respective documentation](#).

The `LightningCLI` class has the `add_arguments_to_parser()` method which can be implemented to include more arguments. After parsing, the configuration is stored in the `config` attribute of the class instance. The

`LightningCLI` class also has two methods that can be used to run code before and after `trainer.fit` is executed: `before_fit()` and `after_fit()`. A realistic example for these would be to send an email before and after the execution of fit. The code would be something like:

```
from pytorch_lightning.utilities.cli import LightningCLI

class MyLightningCLI(LightningCLI):

    def add_arguments_to_parser(self, parser):
        parser.add_argument('--notification_email', default='will@email.com')

    def before_fit(self):
        send_email(
            address=self.config['notification_email'],
            message='trainer.fit starting'
        )

    def after_fit(self):
        send_email(
            address=self.config['notification_email'],
            message='trainer.fit finished'
        )

cli = MyLightningCLI(MyModel)
```

Note that the config object `self.config` is a dictionary whose keys are global options or groups of options. It has the same structure as the yaml format described previously. This means for instance that the parameters used for instantiating the trainer class can be found in `self.config['trainer']`.

Another case in which it might be desired to extend `LightningCLI` is that the model and data module depend on a common parameter. For example in some cases both classes require to know the `batch_size`. It is a burden and error prone giving the same value twice in a config file. To avoid this the parser can be configured so that a value is only given once and then propagated accordingly. With a tool implemented like shown below, the `batch_size` only has to be provided in the data section of the config.

```
from pytorch_lightning.utilities.cli import LightningCLI

class MyLightningCLI(LightningCLI):

    def add_arguments_to_parser(self, parser):
        parser.link_arguments('data.batch_size', 'model.batch_size')

cli = MyLightningCLI(MyModel, MyDataModule)
```

The linking of arguments is observed in the help of the tool, which for this example would look like:

```
$ python trainer.py --help
...
--data.batch_size BATCH_SIZE
                        Number of samples in a batch (type: int, default: 8)

Linked arguments:
model.batch_size <-- data.batch_size
                        Number of samples in a batch (type: int)
```

---

**Tip:** The linking of arguments can be used for more complex cases. For example to derive a value via a function that

takes multiple settings as input. For more details have a look at the API of [link\\_arguments](#).

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**Tip:** Have a look at the [LightningCLI](#) class API reference to learn about other methods that can be extended to customize a CLI.

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## LEARNING RATE FINDER

For training deep neural networks, selecting a good learning rate is essential for both better performance and faster convergence. Even optimizers such as *Adam* that are self-adjusting the learning rate can benefit from more optimal choices.

To reduce the amount of guesswork concerning choosing a good initial learning rate, a *learning rate finder* can be used. As described in this [paper](#) a learning rate finder does a small run where the learning rate is increased after each processed batch and the corresponding loss is logged. The result of this is a *lr* vs. *loss* plot that can be used as guidance for choosing a optimal initial lr.

**Warning:** For the moment, this feature only works with models having a single optimizer. LR Finder support for DDP is not implemented yet, it is coming soon.

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### 30.1 Using Lightning's built-in LR finder

To enable the learning rate finder, your *lightning module* needs to have a `learning_rate` or `lr` property. Then, set `Trainer(auto_lr_find=True)` during trainer construction, and then call `trainer.tune(model)` to run the LR finder. The suggested `learning_rate` will be written to the console and will be automatically set to your *lightning module*, which can be accessed via `self.learning_rate` or `self.lr`.

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, learning_rate):
        self.learning_rate = learning_rate

    def configure_optimizers(self):
        return Adam(self.parameters(), lr=(self.lr or self.learning_rate))

model = LitModel()

# finds learning rate automatically
# sets hparams.lr or hparams.learning_rate to that learning rate
trainer = Trainer(auto_lr_find=True)

trainer.tune(model)
```

If your model is using an arbitrary value instead of `self.lr` or `self.learning_rate`, set that value as `auto_lr_find`:

```
model = LitModel()

# to set to your own hparams.my_value
trainer = Trainer(auto_lr_find='my_value')

trainer.tune(model)
```

You can also inspect the results of the learning rate finder or just play around with the parameters of the algorithm. This can be done by invoking the `lr_find()` method. A typical example of this would look like:

```
model = MyModelClass(hparams)
trainer = Trainer()

# Run learning rate finder
lr_finder = trainer.tuner.lr_find(model)

# Results can be found in
lr_finder.results

# Plot with
fig = lr_finder.plot(suggest=True)
fig.show()

# Pick point based on plot, or get suggestion
new_lr = lr_finder.suggestion()

# update hparams of the model
model.hparams.lr = new_lr

# Fit model
trainer.fit(model)
```

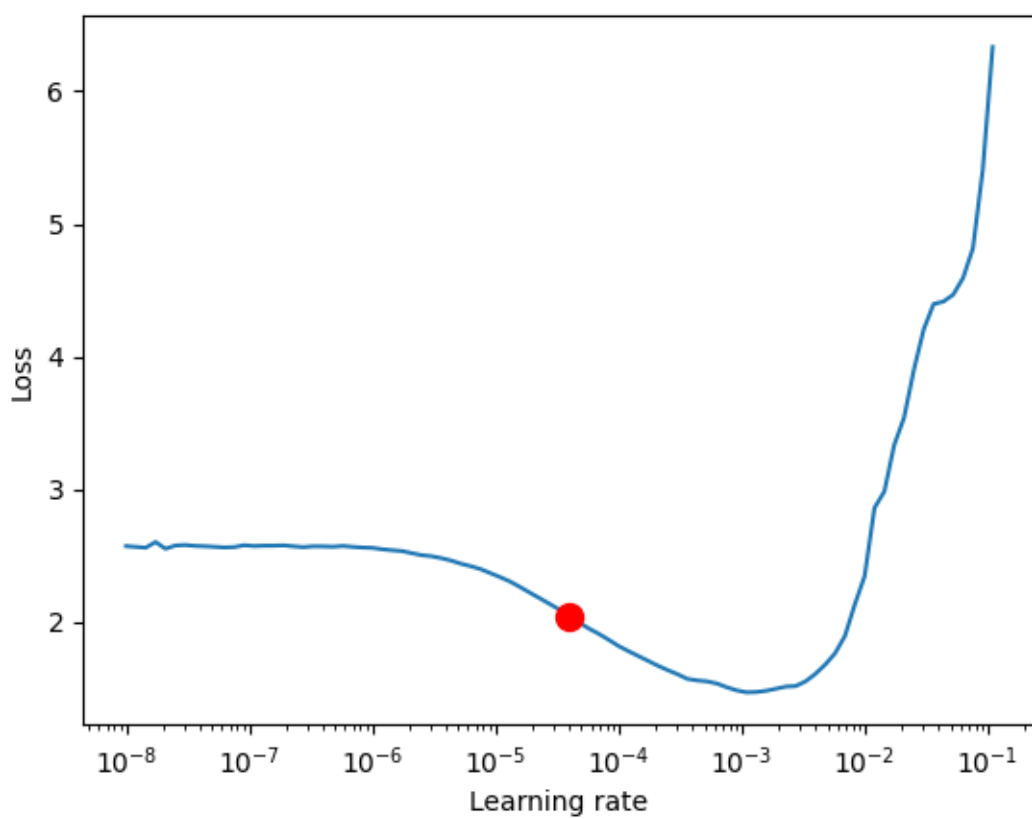
The figure produced by `lr_finder.plot()` should look something like the figure below. It is recommended to not pick the learning rate that achieves the lowest loss, but instead something in the middle of the sharpest downward slope (red point). This is the point returned by `lr_finder.suggestion()`.

The parameters of the algorithm can be seen below.

```
pytorch_lightning.tuner.lr_finder.lr_find(trainer, model, min_lr=1e-08, max_lr=1,
                                           num_training=100, mode='exponential',
                                           early_stop_threshold=4.0, update_attr=False)
```

See `lr_find()`

**Return type** `Optional[_LRFinder]`







## MULTI-GPU TRAINING

Lightning supports multiple ways of doing distributed training.

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### 31.1 Preparing your code

To train on CPU/GPU/TPU without changing your code, we need to build a few good habits :)

#### 31.1.1 Delete `.cuda()` or `.to()` calls

Delete any calls to `.cuda()` or `.to(device)`.

```
# before lightning
def forward(self, x):
    x = x.cuda(0)
    layer_1.cuda(0)
    x_hat = layer_1(x)

# after lightning
def forward(self, x):
    x_hat = layer_1(x)
```

#### 31.1.2 Init tensors using `type_as` and `register_buffer`

When you need to create a new tensor, use `type_as`. This will make your code scale to any arbitrary number of GPUs or TPUs with Lightning.

```
# before lightning
def forward(self, x):
    z = torch.Tensor(2, 3)
    z = z.cuda(0)

# with lightning
def forward(self, x):
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```
z = torch.Tensor(2, 3)
z = z.type_as(x)
```

The `LightningModule` knows what device it is on. You can access the reference via `self.device`. Sometimes it is necessary to store tensors as module attributes. However, if they are not parameters they will remain on the CPU even if the module gets moved to a new device. To prevent that and remain device agnostic, register the tensor as a buffer in your modules's `__init__` method with `register_buffer()`.

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self):
        ...
        self.register_buffer("sigma", torch.eye(3))
        # you can now access self.sigma anywhere in your module
```

### 31.1.3 Remove samplers

In PyTorch, you must use `DistributedSampler` for multi-node or TPU training. The sampler makes sure each GPU sees the appropriate part of your data.

```
# without lightning
def train_dataloader(self):
    dataset = MNIST(...)
    sampler = None

    if self.on_tpu:
        sampler = DistributedSampler(dataset)

    return DataLoader(dataset, sampler=sampler)
```

Lightning adds the correct samplers when needed, so no need to explicitly add samplers.

```
# with lightning
def train_dataloader(self):
    dataset = MNIST(...)
    return DataLoader(dataset)
```

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**Note:** By default it will add `shuffle=True` for train sampler and `shuffle=False` for val/test sampler. `drop_last` in `DistributedSampler` will be set to its default value in PyTorch. If you called `seed_everything()`, Lightning will set the same seed for the sampler.

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**Note:** You can disable this behavior with `Trainer(replace_sampler_ddp=False)`

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**Note:** For iterable datasets, we don't do this automatically.

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### 31.1.4 Synchronize validation and test logging

When running in distributed mode, we have to ensure that the validation and test step logging calls are synchronized across processes. This is done by adding `sync_dist=True` to all `self.log` calls in the validation and test step. This ensures that each GPU worker has the same behaviour when tracking model checkpoints, which is important for later downstream tasks such as testing the best checkpoint across all workers.

Note if you use any built in metrics or custom metrics that use the [Metrics API](#), these do not need to be updated and are automatically handled for you.

```
def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch
    logits = self(x)
    loss = self.loss(logits, y)
    # Add sync_dist=True to sync logging across all GPU workers
    self.log('validation_loss', loss, on_step=True, on_epoch=True, sync_dist=True)

def test_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch
    logits = self(x)
    loss = self.loss(logits, y)
    # Add sync_dist=True to sync logging across all GPU workers
    self.log('test_loss', loss, on_step=True, on_epoch=True, sync_dist=True)
```

### 31.1.5 Make models pickleable

It's very likely your code is already [pickleable](#), in that case no change is necessary. However, if you run a distributed model and get the following error:

```
self._launch(process_obj)
File "/net/software/local/python/3.6.5/lib/python3.6/multiprocessing/popen_spawn_
↳posix.py", line 47,
in _launch reduction.dump(process_obj, fp)
File "/net/software/local/python/3.6.5/lib/python3.6/multiprocessing/reduction.py",
↳line 60, in dump
ForkingPickler(file, protocol).dump(obj)
_pickle.PicklingError: Can't pickle <function <lambda> at 0x2b599e088ae8>:
attribute lookup <lambda> on __main__ failed
```

This means something in your model definition, transforms, optimizer, dataloader or callbacks cannot be pickled, and the following code will fail:

```
import pickle
pickle.dump(some_object)
```

This is a limitation of using multiple processes for distributed training within PyTorch. To fix this issue, find your piece of code that cannot be pickled. The end of the stacktrace is usually helpful. ie: in the stacktrace example here, there seems to be a lambda function somewhere in the code which cannot be pickled.

```
self._launch(process_obj)
File "/net/software/local/python/3.6.5/lib/python3.6/multiprocessing/popen_spawn_
↳posix.py", line 47,
in _launch reduction.dump(process_obj, fp)
File "/net/software/local/python/3.6.5/lib/python3.6/multiprocessing/reduction.py",
↳line 60, in dump
ForkingPickler(file, protocol).dump(obj)
```

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```
_pickle.PicklingError: Can't pickle [THIS IS THE THING TO FIND AND DELETE]:
attribute lookup <lambda> on __main__ failed
```

## 31.2 Select GPU devices

You can select the GPU devices using ranges, a list of indices or a string containing a comma separated list of GPU ids:

```
# DEFAULT (int) specifies how many GPUs to use per node
Trainer(gpus=k)

# Above is equivalent to
Trainer(gpus=list(range(k)))

# Specify which GPUs to use (don't use when running on cluster)
Trainer(gpus=[0, 1])

# Equivalent using a string
Trainer(gpus='0, 1')

# To use all available GPUs put -1 or '-1'
# equivalent to list(range(torch.cuda.device_count()))
Trainer(gpus=-1)
```

The table below lists examples of possible input formats and how they are interpreted by Lightning. Note in particular the difference between `gpus=0`, `gpus=[0]` and `gpus="0"`.

<i>gpus</i>	Type	Parsed	Meaning
None	NoneType	None	CPU
0	int	None	CPU
3	int	[0, 1, 2]	first 3 GPUs
-1	int	[0, 1, 2, ...]	all available GPUs
[0]	list	[0]	GPU 0
[1, 3]	list	[1, 3]	GPUs 1 and 3
"0"	str	[0]	GPU 0
"3"	str	[3]	GPU 3 (will change in v1.5)
"1, 3"	str	[1, 3]	GPUs 1 and 3
"-1"	str	[0, 1, 2, ...]	all available GPUs

**Warning:** The behavior for `gpus="3"` (str) will change. Currently it selects the GPU with index 3, but will select the first 3 GPUs from v1.5.

**Note:** When specifying number of gpus as an integer `gpus=k`, setting the trainer flag `auto_select_gpus=True` will automatically help you find `k` gpus that are not occupied by other processes. This is especially useful when GPUs are configured to be in “exclusive mode”, such that only one process at a time can access them. For more details see the [trainer guide](#).

## 31.3 Select torch distributed backend

By default, Lightning will select the `nccl` backend over `gloo` when running on GPUs. Find more information about PyTorch's supported backends [here](#).

Lightning exposes an environment variable `PL_TORCH_DISTRIBUTED_BACKEND` for the user to change the backend.

```
PL_TORCH_DISTRIBUTED_BACKEND=gloo python train.py ...
```

## 31.4 Distributed modes

Lightning allows multiple ways of training

- Data Parallel (`accelerator='dp'`) (multiple-gpus, 1 machine)
- DistributedDataParallel (`accelerator='ddp'`) (multiple-gpus across many machines (python script based)).
- DistributedDataParallel (`accelerator='ddp_spawn'`) (multiple-gpus across many machines (spawn based)).
- DistributedDataParallel 2 (`accelerator='ddp2'`) (DP in a machine, DDP across machines).
- Horovod (`accelerator='horovod'`) (multi-machine, multi-gpu, configured at runtime)
- TPUs (`tpu_cores=8|x`) (tpu or TPU pod)

**Note:** If you request multiple GPUs or nodes without setting a mode, DDP Spawn will be automatically used.

For a deeper understanding of what Lightning is doing, feel free to read this [guide](#).

### 31.4.1 Data Parallel

`DataParallel` (DP) splits a batch across `k` GPUs. That is, if you have a batch of 32 and use DP with 2 gpus, each GPU will process 16 samples, after which the root node will aggregate the results.

**Warning:** DP use is discouraged by PyTorch and Lightning. State is not maintained on the replicas created by the `DataParallel` wrapper and you may see errors or misbehavior if you assign state to the module in the `forward()` or `*_step()` methods. For the same reason we cannot fully support *Manual optimization* with DP. Use DDP which is more stable and at least 3x faster.

**Warning:** DP only supports scattering and gathering primitive collections of tensors like lists, dicts, etc. Therefore the `transfer_batch_to_device()` hook does not apply in this mode and if you have overridden it, it will not be called.

```
# train on 2 GPUs (using DP mode)
trainer = Trainer(gpus=2, accelerator='dp')
```

### 31.4.2 Distributed Data Parallel

`DistributedDataParallel` (DDP) works as follows:

1. Each GPU across each node gets its own process.
2. Each GPU gets visibility into a subset of the overall dataset. It will only ever see that subset.
3. Each process inits the model.
4. Each process performs a full forward and backward pass in parallel.
5. The gradients are synced and averaged across all processes.
6. Each process updates its optimizer.

```
# train on 8 GPUs (same machine (ie: node))
trainer = Trainer(gpus=8, accelerator='ddp')

# train on 32 GPUs (4 nodes)
trainer = Trainer(gpus=8, accelerator='ddp', num_nodes=4)
```

This Lightning implementation of DDP calls your script under the hood multiple times with the correct environment variables:

```
# example for 3 GPUs DDP
MASTER_ADDR=localhost MASTER_PORT=random() WORLD_SIZE=3 NODE_RANK=0 LOCAL_RANK=0
↪python my_file.py --gpus 3 --etc
MASTER_ADDR=localhost MASTER_PORT=random() WORLD_SIZE=3 NODE_RANK=1 LOCAL_RANK=0
↪python my_file.py --gpus 3 --etc
MASTER_ADDR=localhost MASTER_PORT=random() WORLD_SIZE=3 NODE_RANK=2 LOCAL_RANK=0
↪python my_file.py --gpus 3 --etc
```

We use DDP this way because `ddp_spawn` has a few limitations (due to Python and PyTorch):

1. Since `.spawn()` trains the model in subprocesses, the model on the main process does not get updated.
2. `Dataloader(num_workers=N)`, where `N` is large, bottlenecks training with DDP... ie: it will be VERY slow or won't work at all. This is a PyTorch limitation.
3. Forces everything to be picklable.

There are cases in which it is NOT possible to use DDP. Examples are:

- Jupyter Notebook, Google COLAB, Kaggle, etc.
- You have a nested script without a root package

In these situations you should use `dp` or `ddp_spawn` instead.

### 31.4.3 Distributed Data Parallel 2

In certain cases, it's advantageous to use all batches on the same machine instead of a subset. For instance, you might want to compute a NCE loss where it pays to have more negative samples.

In this case, we can use DDP2 which behaves like DP in a machine and DDP across nodes. DDP2 does the following:

1. Copies a subset of the data to each node.
2. Inits a model on each node.
3. Runs a forward and backward pass using DP.

4. Syncs gradients across nodes.
5. Applies the optimizer updates.

```
# train on 32 GPUs (4 nodes)
trainer = Trainer(gpus=8, accelerator='ddp2', num_nodes=4)
```

### 31.4.4 Distributed Data Parallel Spawn

*ddp\_spawn* is exactly like *ddp* except that it uses *.spawn* to start the training processes.

**Warning:** It is STRONGLY recommended to use *DDP* for speed and performance.

```
mp.spawn(self.ddp_train, nprocs=self.num_processes, args=(model, ))
```

If your script does not support being called from the command line (ie: it is nested without a root project module) you can use the following method:

```
# train on 8 GPUs (same machine (ie: node))
trainer = Trainer(gpus=8, accelerator='ddp_spawn')
```

We STRONGLY discourage this use because it has limitations (due to Python and PyTorch):

1. The model you pass in will not update. Please save a checkpoint and restore from there.
2. Set `Dataloader(num_workers=0)` or it will bottleneck training.

*ddp* is MUCH faster than *ddp\_spawn*. We recommend you

1. Install a top-level module for your project using `setup.py`

```
# setup.py
#!/usr/bin/env python

from setuptools import setup, find_packages

setup(name='src',
      version='0.0.1',
      description='Describe Your Cool Project',
      author='',
      author_email='',
      url='https://github.com/YourSeed', # REPLACE WITH YOUR OWN GITHUB PROJECT LINK
      install_requires=[
          'pytorch-lightning'
      ],
      packages=find_packages()
    )
```

2. Setup your project like so:

```
/project
  /src
    some_file.py
    /or_a_folder
  setup.py
```

### 3. Install as a root-level package

```
cd /project
pip install -e .
```

You can then call your scripts anywhere

```
cd /project/src
python some_file.py --accelerator 'ddp' --gpus 8
```

## 31.4.5 Horovod

[Horovod](#) allows the same training script to be used for single-GPU, multi-GPU, and multi-node training.

Like Distributed Data Parallel, every process in Horovod operates on a single GPU with a fixed subset of the data. Gradients are averaged across all GPUs in parallel during the backward pass, then synchronously applied before beginning the next step.

The number of worker processes is configured by a driver application (*horovodrun* or *mpirun*). In the training script, Horovod will detect the number of workers from the environment, and automatically scale the learning rate to compensate for the increased total batch size.

Horovod can be configured in the training script to run with any number of GPUs / processes as follows:

```
# train Horovod on GPU (number of GPUs / machines provided on command-line)
trainer = Trainer(accelerator='horovod', gpus=1)

# train Horovod on CPU (number of processes / machines provided on command-line)
trainer = Trainer(accelerator='horovod')
```

When starting the training job, the driver application will then be used to specify the total number of worker processes:

```
# run training with 4 GPUs on a single machine
horovodrun -np 4 python train.py

# run training with 8 GPUs on two machines (4 GPUs each)
horovodrun -np 8 -H hostname1:4,hostname2:4 python train.py
```

See the official [Horovod documentation](#) for details on installation and performance tuning.

## 31.4.6 DP/DDP2 caveats

In DP and DDP2 each GPU within a machine sees a portion of a batch. DP and ddp2 roughly do the following:

```
def distributed_forward(batch, model):
    batch = torch.Tensor(32, 8)
    gpu_0_batch = batch[:8]
    gpu_1_batch = batch[8:16]
    gpu_2_batch = batch[16:24]
    gpu_3_batch = batch[24:]

    y_0 = model_copy_gpu_0(gpu_0_batch)
    y_1 = model_copy_gpu_1(gpu_1_batch)
    y_2 = model_copy_gpu_2(gpu_2_batch)
    y_3 = model_copy_gpu_3(gpu_3_batch)
```

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```
return [y_0, y_1, y_2, y_3]
```

So, when Lightning calls any of the *training\_step*, *validation\_step*, *test\_step* you will only be operating on one of those pieces.

```
# the batch here is a portion of the FULL batch
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    y_0 = batch
```

For most metrics, this doesn't really matter. However, if you want to add something to your computational graph (like softmax) using all batch parts you can use the *training\_step\_end* step.

```
def training_step_end(self, outputs):
    # only use when on dp
    outputs = torch.cat(outputs, dim=1)
    softmax = softmax(outputs, dim=1)
    out = softmax.mean()
    return out
```

In pseudocode, the full sequence is:

```
# get data
batch = next(dataloader)

# copy model and data to each gpu
batch_splits = split_batch(batch, num_gpus)
models = copy_model_to_gpus(model)

# in parallel, operate on each batch chunk
all_results = []
for gpu_num in gpus:
    batch_split = batch_splits[gpu_num]
    gpu_model = models[gpu_num]
    out = gpu_model(batch_split)
    all_results.append(out)

# use the full batch for something like softmax
full_out = model.training_step_end(all_results)
```

To illustrate why this is needed, let's look at DataParallel

```
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch
    y_hat = self(batch)

    # on dp or ddp2 if we did softmax now it would be wrong
    # because batch is actually a piece of the full batch
    return y_hat

def training_step_end(self, batch_parts_outputs):
    # batch_parts_outputs has outputs of each part of the batch

    # do softmax here
    outputs = torch.cat(outputs, dim=1)
    softmax = softmax(outputs, dim=1)
```

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```
out = softmax.mean()

return out
```

If `training_step_end` is defined it will be called regardless of TPU, DP, DDP, etc... which means it will behave the same regardless of the backend.

Validation and test step have the same option when using DP.

```
def validation_step_end(self, batch_parts_outputs):
    ...

def test_step_end(self, batch_parts_outputs):
    ...
```

### 31.4.7 Distributed and 16-bit precision

Due to an issue with Apex and DataParallel (PyTorch and NVIDIA issue), Lightning does not allow 16-bit and DP training. We tried to get this to work, but it's an issue on their end.

Below are the possible configurations we support.

1 GPU	1+ GPUs	DP	DDP	16-bit	command
Y					<code>Trainer(gpus=1)</code>
Y				Y	<code>Trainer(gpus=1, precision=16)</code>
	Y	Y			<code>Trainer(gpus=k, accelerator='dp')</code>
	Y		Y		<code>Trainer(gpus=k, accelerator='ddp')</code>
	Y		Y	Y	<code>Trainer(gpus=k, accelerator='ddp', precision=16)</code>

### 31.4.8 Implement Your Own Distributed (DDP) training

If you need your own way to init PyTorch DDP you can override `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.ddp.DDPPlugin.init_ddp_connection()`.

If you also need to use your own DDP implementation, override `pytorch_lightning.plugins.training_type.ddp.DDPPlugin.configure_ddp()`.

## 31.5 Batch size

When using distributed training make sure to modify your learning rate according to your effective batch size.

Let's say you have a batch size of 7 in your dataloader.

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):

    def train_dataloader(self):
        return Dataset(..., batch_size=7)
```

In (DDP, Horovod) your effective batch size will be  $7 * \text{gpus} * \text{num\_nodes}$ .

```
# effective batch size = 7 * 8
Trainer(gpus=8, accelerator='ddp|horovod')

# effective batch size = 7 * 8 * 10
Trainer(gpus=8, num_nodes=10, accelerator='ddp|horovod')
```

In DDP2, your effective batch size will be  $7 * \text{num\_nodes}$ . The reason is that the full batch is visible to all GPUs on the node when using DDP2.

```
# effective batch size = 7
Trainer(gpus=8, accelerator='ddp2')

# effective batch size = 7 * 10
Trainer(gpus=8, num_nodes=10, accelerator='ddp2')
```

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**Note:** Huge batch sizes are actually really bad for convergence. Check out: [Accurate, Large Minibatch SGD: Training ImageNet in 1 Hour](#)

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## 31.6 TorchElastic

Lightning supports the use of TorchElastic to enable fault-tolerant and elastic distributed job scheduling. To use it, specify the 'ddp' or 'ddp2' backend and the number of gpus you want to use in the trainer.

```
Trainer(gpus=8, accelerator='ddp')
```

Following the [TorchElastic Quickstart documentation](#), you then need to start a single-node etcd server on one of the hosts:

```
etcd --enable-v2
    --listen-client-urls http://0.0.0.0:2379,http://127.0.0.1:4001
    --advertise-client-urls PUBLIC_HOSTNAME:2379
```

And then launch the elastic job with:

```
python -m torchelastic.distributed.launch
    --nnodes=MIN_SIZE:MAX_SIZE
    --nproc_per_node=TRAINERS_PER_NODE
    --rdzv_id=JOB_ID
    --rdzv_backend=etcd
    --rdzv_endpoint=ETCD_HOST:ETCD_PORT
    YOUR_LIGHTNING_TRAINING_SCRIPT.py (--arg1 ... train script args...)
```

See the official [TorchElastic documentation](#) for details on installation and more use cases.

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## 31.7 Jupyter Notebooks

Unfortunately any *ddp\_* is not supported in jupyter notebooks. Please use *dp* for multiple GPUs. This is a known Jupyter issue. If you feel like taking a stab at adding this support, feel free to submit a PR!

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## 31.8 Pickle Errors

Multi-GPU training sometimes requires your model to be pickled. If you run into an issue with pickling try the following to figure out the issue

```
import pickle

model = YourModel()
pickle.dumps(model)
```

However, if you use *ddp* the pickling requirement is not there and you should be fine. If you use *ddp\_spawn* the pickling requirement remains. This is a limitation of Python.

## ADVANCED GPU OPTIMIZED TRAINING

When training large models, fitting larger batch sizes, or trying to increase throughput using multi-GPU compute, Lightning provides advanced optimized distributed training plugins to support these cases and offer substantial improvements in memory usage.

Note that some of the extreme memory saving configurations will affect the speed of training. This Speed/Memory trade-off in most cases can be adjusted.

Some of these memory-efficient plugins rely on offloading onto other forms of memory, such as CPU RAM or NVMe. This means you can even see memory benefits on a **single GPU**, using a plugin such as *DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3 Offload*.

### 32.1 Choosing an Advanced Distributed GPU Plugin

If you would like to stick with PyTorch DDP, see *DDP Optimizations*.

Unlike PyTorch's DistributedDataParallel (DDP) where the maximum trainable model size and batch size do not change with respect to the number of GPUs, memory-optimized plugins can accommodate bigger models and larger batches as more GPUs are used. This means as you scale up the number of GPUs, you can reach the number of model parameters you'd like to train.

#### 32.1.1 Pre-training vs Fine-tuning

When fine-tuning, we often use a magnitude less data compared to pre-training a model. This is important when choosing a distributed plugin as usually for pre-training, **where we are compute-bound**. This means we cannot sacrifice throughput as much as if we were fine-tuning, because in fine-tuning the data requirement is smaller.

Overall:

- When **fine-tuning** a model, use advanced memory efficient plugins such as *DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3* or *DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3 Offload*, allowing you to fine-tune larger models if you are limited on compute
- When **pre-training** a model, use simpler optimizations such *Sharded Training*, *DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 2*, scaling the number of GPUs to reach larger parameter sizes
- For both fine-tuning and pre-training, use *DeepSpeed Activation Checkpointing* or *FairScale Activation Checkpointing* as the throughput degradation is not significant

For example when using 128 GPUs, you can **pre-train** large 10 to 20 Billion parameter models using *DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 2* without having to take a performance hit with more advanced optimized multi-gpu plugins.

But for **fine-tuning** a model, you can reach 10 to 20 Billion parameter models using *DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3 Offload* on a **single GPU**. This does come with a significant throughput hit, which needs to be weighed accordingly.

### 32.1.2 When Shouldn't I use an Optimized Distributed Plugin?

Sharding techniques help when model sizes are fairly large; roughly 500M+ parameters is where we've seen benefits. However, in cases where your model is small (ResNet50 of around 80M Parameters) it may be best to stick to ordinary distributed training, unless you are using unusually large batch sizes or inputs.

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## 32.2 Sharded Training

Lightning integration of optimizer sharded training provided by [FairScale](#). The technique can be found within [DeepSpeed ZeRO](#) and [ZeRO-2](#), however the implementation is built from the ground up to be pytorch compatible and standalone. Sharded Training allows you to maintain GPU scaling efficiency, whilst reducing memory overhead drastically. In short, expect near-normal linear scaling (if your network allows), and significantly reduced memory usage when training large models.

Sharded Training still utilizes Data Parallel Training under the hood, except optimizer states and gradients are sharded across GPUs. This means the memory overhead per GPU is lower, as each GPU only has to maintain a partition of your optimizer state and gradients.

The benefits vary by model and parameter sizes, but we've recorded up to a 63% memory reduction per GPU allowing us to double our model sizes. Because of efficient communication, these benefits in multi-GPU setups are almost free and throughput scales well with multi-node setups.

It is highly recommended to use Sharded Training in multi-GPU environments where memory is limited, or where training larger models are beneficial (500M+ parameter models). A technical note: as batch size scales, storing activations for the backwards pass becomes the bottleneck in training. As a result, sharding optimizer state and gradients becomes less impactful. Use [FairScale Activation Checkpointing](#) to see even more benefit at the cost of some throughput.

To use Sharded Training, you need to first install FairScale using the command below.

```
pip install fairscale
```

```
# train using Sharded DDP
trainer = Trainer(plugins='ddp_sharded')
```

Sharded Training can work across all DDP variants by adding the additional `--plugins ddp_sharded` flag.

Internally we re-initialize your optimizers and shard them across your machines and processes. We handle all communication using PyTorch distributed, so no code changes are required.

## 32.3 FairScale Activation Checkpointing

Activation checkpointing frees activations from memory as soon as they are not needed during the forward pass. They are then re-computed for the backwards pass as needed.

FairScale's checkpointing wrapper also handles batch norm layers correctly unlike the PyTorch implementation, ensuring stats are tracked correctly due to the multiple forward passes.

This saves memory when training larger models however requires wrapping modules you'd like to use activation checkpointing on. See [here](#) for more information.

```

from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from fairscale.nn import checkpoint_wrapper

class MyModel(pl.LightningModule):
    def __init__(self):
        # Wrap layers using checkpoint_wrapper
        self.block = checkpoint_wrapper(nn.Sequential(nn.Linear(32, 32), nn.ReLU()))

```

## 32.4 DeepSpeed

**Note:** The DeepSpeed plugin is in beta and the API is subject to change. Please create an [issue](#) if you run into any issues.

DeepSpeed is a deep learning training optimization library, providing the means to train massive billion parameter models at scale. Using the DeepSpeed plugin, we were able to **train model sizes of 10 Billion parameters and above**, with a lot of useful information in this [benchmark](#) and the [DeepSpeed docs](#). DeepSpeed also offers lower level training optimizations, and efficient optimizers such as [1-bit Adam](#). We recommend using DeepSpeed in environments where speed and memory optimizations are important (such as training large billion parameter models).

Below is a summary of all the configurations of DeepSpeed.

- *DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 2 - Shard optimizer states and gradients*, remains at parity with DDP with memory improvement
- *DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 2 Offload - Offload optimizer states and gradients to CPU*. Increases communication, but significant memory improvement
- *DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3 - Shard optimizer states, gradients, (Optional) activations and parameters*. Increases communication volume, but even more memory improvement
- *DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3 Offload - Offload optimizer states, gradients, (Optional) activations and parameters to CPU*. Increases communication, but even more significant memory improvement.
- *DeepSpeed Activation Checkpointing - Free activations after forward pass*. Increases computation, but provides memory improvement for all stages.

To use DeepSpeed, you first need to install DeepSpeed using the commands below.

```
pip install deepspeed
```

If you run into an issue with the install or later in training, ensure that the CUDA version of the pytorch you've installed matches your locally installed CUDA (you can see which one has been recognized by running `nvcc --version`).

**Note:** DeepSpeed currently only supports single optimizer, single scheduler within the training loop.

### 32.4.1 DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 2

By default, we enable [DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 2](#), which partitions your optimizer states (Stage 1) and your gradients (Stage 2) across your GPUs to reduce memory. In most cases, this is more efficient or at parity with DDP, primarily due to the optimized custom communications written by the DeepSpeed team. As a result, benefits can also be seen on a single GPU. Do note that the default bucket sizes allocate around 3.6GB of VRAM to use during distributed communications, which can be tweaked when instantiating the plugin described in a few sections below.

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**Note:** To use ZeRO, you must use `precision=16`.

---

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer

model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=4, plugins='deepspeed_stage_2', precision=16)
trainer.fit(model)
```

```
python train.py --plugins deepspeed_stage_2 --precision 16 --gpus 4
```

### 32.4.2 DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 2 Offload

Below we show an example of running [ZeRO-Offload](#). ZeRO-Offload leverages the host CPU to offload optimizer memory/computation, reducing the overall memory consumption.

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**Note:** To use ZeRO-Offload, you must use `precision=16`.

---

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DeepSpeedPlugin

model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=4, plugins='deepspeed_stage_2_offload', precision=16)
trainer.fit(model)
```

This can also be done via the command line using a Pytorch Lightning script:

```
python train.py --plugins deepspeed_stage_2_offload --precision 16 --gpus 4
```

You can also modify the ZeRO-Offload parameters via the plugin as below.

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DeepSpeedPlugin

model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=4, plugins=DeepSpeedPlugin(cpu_offload=True, allgather_bucket_
↪size=5e8, reduce_bucket_size=5e8), precision=16)
trainer.fit(model)
```

---

**Note:** We suggest tuning the `allgather_bucket_size` parameter and `reduce_bucket_size` parameter to find optimum parameters based on your model size. These control how large a buffer we limit the model to using when reducing gradients/gathering updated parameters. Smaller values will result in less memory, but tradeoff with speed.

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DeepSpeed allocates a reduce buffer size [multiplied by 4.5x](#) so take that into consideration when tweaking the parameters.

The plugin sets a reasonable default of  $2e8$ , which should work for most low VRAM GPUs (less than 7GB), allocating roughly 3.6GB of VRAM as buffer. Higher VRAM GPUs should aim for values around  $5e8$ .

For even more speed benefit, DeepSpeed offers an optimized CPU version of ADAM called [DeepSpeedCPUAdam](#) to run the offloaded computation, which is faster than the standard PyTorch implementation.

```
import pytorch_lightning
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DeepSpeedPlugin
from deepspeed.ops.adam import DeepSpeedCPUAdam

class MyModel(pl.LightningModule):
    ...
    def configure_optimizers(self):
        # DeepSpeedCPUAdam provides 5x to 7x speedup over torch.optim.adam(w)
        return DeepSpeedCPUAdam(self.parameters())

model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=4, plugins='deepspeed_stage_2_offload' precision=16)
trainer.fit(model)
```

### 32.4.3 DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3

DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3 shards the optimizer states, gradients and the model parameters (also optionally activations). Sharding model parameters and activations comes with an increase in distributed communication, however allows you to scale your models massively from one GPU to multiple GPUs. **The DeepSpeed team report the ability to fine-tune models with over 40B parameters on a single GPU and over 2 Trillion parameters on 512 GPUs.** For more information we suggest checking the [DeepSpeed ZeRO-3 Offload documentation](#).

We've ran benchmarks for all these features and given a simple example of how all these features work in Lightning, which you can see at [minGPT](#).

Currently this functionality is only available on master and will be included in our next 1.3 Release Candidate and 1.3 release.

```
pip install https://github.com/PyTorchLightning/pytorch-lightning/archive/refs/heads/
↪master.zip
```

To reach the highest memory efficiency or model size, you must:

1. Use the DeepSpeed Plugin with the stage 3 parameter
2. Use CPU Offloading to offload weights to CPU, plus have a reasonable amount of CPU RAM to offload onto
3. Use DeepSpeed Activation Checkpointing to shard activations

Below we describe how to enable all of these to see benefit. **With all these improvements we reached 45 Billion parameters training a GPT model on 8 GPUs with ~1TB of CPU RAM available.**

Also please have a look at our [DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3 Tips](#) which contains a lot of helpful information when configuring your own models.

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DeepSpeedPlugin
```

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```

from deepspeed.ops.adam import FusedAdam

class MyModel(pl.LightningModule):
    ...
    def configure_optimizers(self):
        return FusedAdam(self.parameters())

model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=4, plugins='deepspeed_stage_3', precision=16)
trainer.fit(model)

trainer.test()
trainer.predict()

```

### 32.4.4 Shard Model Instantly to Reduce Initialization Time/Memory

When instantiating really large models, it is sometimes necessary to shard the model layers instantly.

This is the case if layers may not fit on one single machines CPU or GPU memory, but would fit once sharded across multiple machines. We expose a hook that layers initialized within the hook will be sharded instantly on a per layer basis, allowing you to instantly shard models.

This reduces the time taken to initialize very large models, as well as ensure we do not run out of memory when instantiating larger models. For more information you can refer to the DeepSpeed docs for [Constructing Massive Models](#).

```

import torch.nn as nn
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DeepSpeedPlugin
from deepspeed.ops.adam import FusedAdam

class MyModel(pl.LightningModule):
    ...
    def configure_sharded_model(self):
        # Created within sharded model context, modules are instantly sharded across_
        ↪processes
        # as soon as they are made.
        self.block = nn.Sequential(nn.Linear(32, 32), nn.ReLU())

    def configure_optimizers(self):
        return FusedAdam(self.parameters())

model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=4, plugins='deepspeed_stage_3', precision=16)
trainer.fit(model)

trainer.test()
trainer.predict()

```

### 32.4.5 DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3 Offload

DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3 Offloads optimizer state, gradients to the host CPU to reduce memory usage as ZeRO Stage 2 does, however additionally allows you to offload the parameters as well for even more memory saving.

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DeepSpeedPlugin

# Enable CPU Offloading
model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=4, plugins='deepspeed_stage_3_offload', precision=16)
trainer.fit(model)

# Enable CPU Offloading, and offload parameters to CPU
model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(
    gpus=4,
    plugins=DeepSpeedPlugin(stage=3, cpu_offload=True, cpu_offload_params=True),
    precision=16
)
trainer.fit(model)
```

### 32.4.6 DeepSpeed Activation Checkpointing

Activation checkpointing frees activations from memory as soon as they are not needed during the forward pass. They are then re-computed for the backwards pass as needed.

This saves memory when training larger models however requires using a checkpoint function to run the module as shown below.

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DeepSpeedPlugin
import deepspeed

class MyModel(pl.LightningModule):
    ...

    def configure_sharded_model(self):
        self.block = nn.Sequential(nn.Linear(32, 32), nn.ReLU())

    def forward(self, x):
        # Use the DeepSpeed checkpointing function instead of calling the module_
        ↪ directly
        output = deepspeed.checkpointing.checkpoint(self.block, x)
        return output

model = MyModel()

trainer = Trainer(
    gpus=4,
    plugins='deepspeed_stage_3_offload',
    precision=16
)
```

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```
# Enable CPU Activation Checkpointing
trainer = Trainer(
    gpus=4,
    plugins=DeepSpeedPlugin(
        stage=3,
        cpu_offload=True, # Enable CPU Offloading
        cpu_checkpointing=True # (Optional) offload activations to CPU
    ),
    precision=16
)
trainer.fit(model)
```

### 32.4.7 DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3 Tips

Here is some helpful information when setting up DeepSpeed ZeRO Stage 3 with Lightning.

- If you're using Adam or AdamW, ensure to use FusedAdam or DeepSpeedCPUAdam (for CPU Offloading) rather than the default torch optimizers as they come with large speed benefits
- Treat your GPU/CPU memory as one large pool. In some cases, you may not want to offload certain things (like activations) to provide even more space to offload model parameters
- When offloading to the CPU, make sure to bump up the batch size as GPU memory will be freed
- We also support sharded checkpointing. By passing `save_full_weights=False` to the `DeepSpeedPlugin`, we'll save shards of the model which allows you to save extremely large models. However to load the model and run test/validation/predict you must use the `Trainer` object.

### 32.4.8 Custom DeepSpeed Config

In some cases you may want to define your own DeepSpeed Config, to access all parameters defined. We've exposed most of the important parameters, however, there may be debugging parameters to enable. Also, DeepSpeed allows the use of custom DeepSpeed optimizers and schedulers defined within a config file that is supported.

---

**Note:** All plugin default parameters will be ignored when a config object is passed. All compatible arguments can be seen in the [DeepSpeed docs](#).

---

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DeepSpeedPlugin

deepspeed_config = {
    "zero_allow_untested_optimizer": True,
    "optimizer": {
        "type": "OneBitAdam",
        "params": {
            "lr": 3e-5,
            "betas": [0.998, 0.999],
            "eps": 1e-5,
            "weight_decay": 1e-9,
            "cuda_aware": True,
        },
    },
}
```

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```

'scheduler': {
    "type": "WarmupLR",
    "params": {
        "last_batch_iteration": -1,
        "warmup_min_lr": 0,
        "warmup_max_lr": 3e-5,
        "warmup_num_steps": 100,
    }
},
"zero_optimization": {
    "stage": 2, # Enable Stage 2 ZeRO (Optimizer/Gradient state partitioning)
    "cpu_offload": True, # Enable Offloading optimizer state/calculation to the_
↪host CPU
    "contiguous_gradients": True, # Reduce gradient fragmentation.
    "overlap_comm": True, # Overlap reduce/backward operation of gradients for_
↪speed.
    "allgather_bucket_size": 2e8, # Number of elements to all gather at once.
    "reduce_bucket_size": 2e8, # Number of elements we reduce/allreduce at once.
}
}

model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=4, plugins=DeepSpeedPlugin(deepspeed_config), precision=16)
trainer.fit(model)

```

We support taking the config as a json formatted file:

```

from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DeepSpeedPlugin

model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=4, plugins=DeepSpeedPlugin("/path/to/deepspeed_config.json"),_
↪precision=16)
trainer.fit(model)

```

You can use also use an environment variable via your PyTorch Lightning script:

```

PL_DEEPSPEED_CONFIG_PATH=/path/to/deepspeed_config.json python train.py --plugins_
↪deepspeed

```

## 32.5 DDP Optimizations

### 32.5.1 Gradients as Bucket View

Enabling `gradient_as_bucket_view=True` in the `DDPPlugin` will make gradients views point to different offsets of the `allreduce` communication buckets. See [DistributedDataParallel](#) for more information.

This can reduce peak memory usage and throughput as saved memory will be equal to the total gradient memory + removes the need to copy gradients to the `allreduce` communication buckets.

**Note:** When `gradient_as_bucket_view=True` you cannot call `detach_()` on gradients. If hitting such errors, please fix it by referring to the `zero_grad()` function in `torch/optim/optimizer.py` as a solution

(source).

---

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DDPPlugin

model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=4, plugins=DDPPlugin(gradient_as_bucket_view=True))
trainer.fit(model)
```

## 32.5.2 DDP Communication Hooks

DDP Communication hooks is an interface to control how gradients are communicated across workers, overriding the standard allreduce in DistributedDataParallel. This allows you to enable performance improving communication hooks when using multiple nodes.

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**Note:** DDP communication hooks needs pytorch version at least 1.8.0

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Enable FP16 Compress Hook for multi-node throughput improvement:

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DDPPlugin
from torch.distributed.algorithms.ddp_comm_hooks import (
    default_hooks as default,
    powerSGD_hook as powerSGD,
)

model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(gpus=4, plugins=DDPPlugin(ddp_comm_hook=default.fp16_compress_hook))
trainer.fit(model)
```

Enable PowerSGD for multi-node throughput improvement:

---

**Note:** PowerSGD typically requires extra memory of the same size as the model's gradients to enable error feedback, which can compensate for biased compressed communication and improve accuracy (source).

---

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DDPPlugin
from torch.distributed.algorithms.ddp_comm_hooks import powerSGD_hook as powerSGD

model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(
    gpus=4,
    plugins=DDPPlugin(
        ddp_comm_state=powerSGD.PowerSGDState(
            process_group=None,
            matrix_approximation_rank=1,
            start_powerSGD_iter=5000,
        ),
        ddp_comm_hook=powerSGD.powerSGD_hook,
    )
)
trainer.fit(model)
```

Combine hooks for accumulated benefit:

---

**Note:** DDP communication wrappers needs pytorch version at least 1.9.0

---

```
from pytorch_lightning import Trainer
from pytorch_lightning.plugins import DDPlugin
from torch.distributed.algorithms.ddp_comm_hooks import (
    default_hooks as default,
    powerSGD_hook as powerSGD,
)

model = MyModel()
trainer = Trainer(
    gpus=4,
    plugins=DDPlugin(
        ddp_comm_state=powerSGD.PowerSGDState(
            process_group=None,
            matrix_approximation_rank=1,
            start_powerSGD_iter=5000,
        ),
        ddp_comm_hook=powerSGD.powerSGD_hook,
        ddp_comm_wrapper=default.fp16_compress_wrapper,
    )
)
trainer.fit(model)
```





## MULTIPLE DATASETS

Lightning supports multiple dataloaders in a few ways.

1. Create a dataloader that iterates multiple datasets under the hood.
2. In the training loop you can pass multiple loaders as a dict or list/tuple and lightning will automatically combine the batches from different loaders.
3. In the validation and test loop you also have the option to return multiple dataloaders which lightning will call sequentially.

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### 33.1 Multiple training dataloaders

For training, the usual way to use multiple dataloaders is to create a `DataLoader` class which wraps your multiple dataloaders (this of course also works for testing and validation dataloaders).

(reference)

```
class ConcatDataset(torch.utils.data.Dataset):
    def __init__(self, *datasets):
        self.datasets = datasets

    def __getitem__(self, i):
        return tuple(d[i] for d in self.datasets)

    def __len__(self):
        return min(len(d) for d in self.datasets)

class LitModel(LightningModule):

    def train_dataloader(self):
        concat_dataset = ConcatDataset(
            datasets.ImageFolder(trainindir_A),
            datasets.ImageFolder(trainindir_B)
        )

        loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(
            concat_dataset,
            batch_size=args.batch_size,
            shuffle=True,
            num_workers=args.workers,
            pin_memory=True
```

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```

    )
    return loader

    def val_dataloader(self):
        # SAME
        ...

    def test_dataloader(self):
        # SAME
        ...

```

However, with lightning you can also return multiple loaders and lightning will take care of batch combination.

For more details please have a look at [multiple\\_trainloader\\_mode](#)

```

class LitModel(LightningModule):

    def train_dataloader(self):

        loader_a = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(range(6), batch_size=4)
        loader_b = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(range(15), batch_size=5)

        # pass loaders as a dict. This will create batches like this:
        # {'a': batch from loader_a, 'b': batch from loader_b}
        loaders = {'a': loader_a,
                   'b': loader_b}

        # OR:
        # pass loaders as sequence. This will create batches like this:
        # [batch from loader_a, batch from loader_b]
        loaders = [loader_a, loader_b]

    return loaders

```

Furthermore, Lightning also supports that nested lists and dicts (or a combination) can be returned.

```

class LitModel(LightningModule):

    def train_dataloader(self):

        loader_a = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(range(8), batch_size=4)
        loader_b = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(range(16), batch_size=2)

        return {'a': loader_a, 'b': loader_b}

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        # access a dictionary with a batch from each dataloader
        batch_a = batch["a"]
        batch_b = batch["b"]

```

```

class LitModel(LightningModule):

    def train_dataloader(self):

        loader_a = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(range(8), batch_size=4)
        loader_b = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(range(16), batch_size=4)
        loader_c = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(range(32), batch_size=4)

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```

loader_c = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(range(64), batch_size=4)

# pass loaders as a nested dict. This will create batches like this:
loaders = {
    'loaders_a_b': {
        'a': loader_a,
        'b': loader_b
    },
    'loaders_c_d': {
        'c': loader_c,
        'd': loader_d
    }
}

return loaders

def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # access the data
    batch_a_b = batch["loaders_a_b"]
    batch_c_d = batch["loaders_c_d"]

    batch_a = batch_a_b["a"]
    batch_b = batch_a_b["b"]

    batch_c = batch_c_d["c"]
    batch_d = batch_c_d["d"]

```

## 33.2 Test/Val dataloaders

For validation and test dataloaders, lightning also gives you the additional option of passing multiple dataloaders back from each call. You can choose to pass the batches sequentially or simultaneously, as is done for the training step. The default mode for validation and test dataloaders is sequential.

See the following for more details for the default sequential option:

- `val_dataloader()`
- `test_dataloader()`

```

def val_dataloader(self):
    loader_1 = Dataloader()
    loader_2 = Dataloader()
    return [loader_1, loader_2]

```

To combine batches of multiple test and validation dataloaders simultaneously, one needs to wrap the dataloaders with *CombinedLoader*.

```

from pytorch_lightning.trainer.supporters import CombinedLoader

def val_dataloader(self):
    loader_1 = Dataloader()
    loader_2 = Dataloader()
    loaders = {'a': loader_a, 'b': loader_b}
    combined_loaders = CombinedLoader(loaders, "max_size_cycle")
    return combined_loaders

```



## SAVING AND LOADING WEIGHTS

Lightning automates saving and loading checkpoints. Checkpoints capture the exact value of all parameters used by a model.

Checkpointing your training allows you to resume a training process in case it was interrupted, fine-tune a model or use a pre-trained model for inference without having to retrain the model.

### 34.1 Checkpoint saving

A Lightning checkpoint has everything needed to restore a training session including:

- 16-bit scaling factor (apex)
- Current epoch
- Global step
- Model state\_dict
- State of all optimizers
- State of all learningRate schedulers
- State of all callbacks
- The hyperparameters used for that model if passed in as hparams (Argparse.Namespace)

#### 34.1.1 Automatic saving

Lightning automatically saves a checkpoint for you in your current working directory, with the state of your last training epoch. This makes sure you can resume training in case it was interrupted.

To change the checkpoint path pass in:

```
# saves checkpoints to '/your/path/to/save/checkpoints' at every epoch end
trainer = Trainer(default_root_dir='/your/path/to/save/checkpoints')
```

You can customize the checkpointing behavior to monitor any quantity of your training or validation steps. For example, if you want to update your checkpoints based on your validation loss:

1. Calculate any metric or other quantity you wish to monitor, such as validation loss.
2. Log the quantity using `log()` method, with a key such as `val_loss`.
3. Initializing the `ModelCheckpoint` callback, and set `monitor` to be the key of your quantity.
4. Pass the callback to the `callbacks` Trainer flag.

```
from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import ModelCheckpoint

class LitAutoEncoder(LightningModule):
    def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, y = batch
        y_hat = self.backbone(x)

        # 1. calculate loss
        loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)

        # 2. log `val_loss`
        self.log('val_loss', loss)

# 3. Init ModelCheckpoint callback, monitoring 'val_loss'
checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(monitor='val_loss')

# 4. Add your callback to the callbacks list
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[checkpoint_callback])
```

You can also control more advanced options, like `save_top_k`, to save the best k models and the *mode* of the monitored quantity (min/max), `save_weights_only` or `period` to set the interval of epochs between checkpoints, to avoid slowdowns.

```
from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import ModelCheckpoint

class LitAutoEncoder(LightningModule):
    def validation_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        x, y = batch
        y_hat = self.backbone(x)
        loss = F.cross_entropy(y_hat, y)
        self.log('val_loss', loss)

# saves a file like: my/path/sample-mnist-epoch=02-val_loss=0.32.ckpt
checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(
    monitor='val_loss',
    dirpath='my/path/',
    filename='sample-mnist-{epoch:02d}-{val_loss:.2f}',
    save_top_k=3,
    mode='min',
)

trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[checkpoint_callback])
```

You can retrieve the checkpoint after training by calling

```
checkpoint_callback = ModelCheckpoint(dirpath='my/path/')
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[checkpoint_callback])
trainer.fit(model)
checkpoint_callback.best_model_path
```

## Disabling checkpoints

You can disable checkpointing by passing

```
trainer = Trainer(checkpoint_callback=False)
```

The Lightning checkpoint also saves the arguments passed into the LightningModule init under the *hyper\_parameters* key in the checkpoint.

```
class MyLightningModule(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, learning_rate, *args, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        self.save_hyperparameters()

# all init args were saved to the checkpoint
checkpoint = torch.load(CKPT_PATH)
print(checkpoint['hyper_parameters'])
# {'learning_rate': the_value}
```

### 34.1.2 Manual saving

You can manually save checkpoints and restore your model from the checkpointed state.

```
model = MyLightningModule(hparams)
trainer.fit(model)
trainer.save_checkpoint("example.ckpt")
new_model = MyModel.load_from_checkpoint(checkpoint_path="example.ckpt")
```

### 34.1.3 Manual saving with accelerators

Lightning also handles accelerators where multiple processes are running, such as DDP. For example, when using the DDP accelerator our training script is running across multiple devices at the same time. Lightning automatically ensures that the model is saved only on the main process, whilst other processes do not interfere with saving checkpoints. This requires no code changes as seen below.

```
trainer = Trainer(accelerator="ddp")
model = MyLightningModule(hparams)
trainer.fit(model)
# Saves only on the main process
trainer.save_checkpoint("example.ckpt")
```

Not using *trainer.save\_checkpoint* can lead to unexpected behaviour and potential deadlock. Using other saving functions will result in all devices attempting to save the checkpoint. As a result, we highly recommend using the trainer's save functionality. If using custom saving functions cannot be avoided, we recommend using `rank_zero_only()` to ensure saving occurs only on the main process.

## 34.2 Checkpoint loading

To load a model along with its weights, biases and hyperparameters use the following method:

```
model = MyLightningModule.load_from_checkpoint(PATH)

print(model.learning_rate)
# prints the learning_rate you used in this checkpoint

model.eval()
y_hat = model(x)
```

But if you don't want to use the values saved in the checkpoint, pass in your own here

```
class LitModel(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self, in_dim, out_dim):
        super().__init__()
        self.save_hyperparameters()
        self.ll = nn.Linear(self.hparams.in_dim, self.hparams.out_dim)
```

you can restore the model like this

```
# if you train and save the model like this it will use these values when loading
# the weights. But you can overwrite this
LitModel(in_dim=32, out_dim=10)

# uses in_dim=32, out_dim=10
model = LitModel.load_from_checkpoint(PATH)

# uses in_dim=128, out_dim=10
model = LitModel.load_from_checkpoint(PATH, in_dim=128, out_dim=10)
```

```
classmethod LightningModule.load_from_checkpoint(checkpoint_path,
                                                  map_location=None,
                                                  hparams_file=None, strict=True,
                                                  **kwargs)
```

Primary way of loading a model from a checkpoint. When Lightning saves a checkpoint it stores the arguments passed to `__init__` in the checkpoint under `hyper_parameters`

Any arguments specified through `*args` and `**kwargs` will override args stored in `hyper_parameters`.

### Parameters

- **checkpoint\_path** (Union[str, IO]) – Path to checkpoint. This can also be a URL, or file-like object
- **map\_location** (Union[Dict[str, str], str, device, int, Callable, None]) – If your checkpoint saved a GPU model and you now load on CPUs or a different number of GPUs, use this to map to the new setup. The behaviour is the same as in `torch.load()`.
- **hparams\_file** (Optional[str]) – Optional path to a .yaml file with hierarchical structure as in this example:

```
drop_prob: 0.2
dataloader:
  batch_size: 32
```



You most likely won't need this since Lightning will always save the hyperparameters to the checkpoint. However, if your checkpoint weights don't have the hyperparameters saved, use this method to pass in a .yaml file with the hparams you'd like to use. These will be converted into a `dict` and passed into your `LightningModule` for use.

If your model's `hparams` argument is `Namespace` and .yaml file has hierarchical structure, you need to refactor your model to treat `hparams` as `dict`.

- **`strict`** *(bool)* – Whether to strictly enforce that the keys in `checkpoint_path` match the keys returned by this module's state dict. Default: `True`.
- **`kwargs`** *(dict)* – Any extra keyword args needed to init the model. Can also be used to override saved hyperparameter values.

**Returns** `LightningModule` with loaded weights and hyperparameters (if available).

Example:

```
# load weights without mapping ...
MyLightningModule.load_from_checkpoint('path/to/checkpoint.ckpt')

# or load weights mapping all weights from GPU 1 to GPU 0 ...
map_location = {'cuda:1':'cuda:0'}
MyLightningModule.load_from_checkpoint(
    'path/to/checkpoint.ckpt',
    map_location=map_location
)

# or load weights and hyperparameters from separate files.
MyLightningModule.load_from_checkpoint(
    'path/to/checkpoint.ckpt',
    hparams_file='/path/to/hparams_file.yaml'
)

# override some of the params with new values
MyLightningModule.load_from_checkpoint(
    PATH,
    num_layers=128,
    pretrained_ckpt_path: NEW_PATH,
)

# predict
pretrained_model.eval()
pretrained_model.freeze()
y_hat = pretrained_model(x)
```

### 34.2.1 Restoring Training State

If you don't just want to load weights, but instead restore the full training, do the following:

```
model = LitModel()
trainer = Trainer(resume_from_checkpoint='some/path/to/my_checkpoint.ckpt')

# automatically restores model, epoch, step, LR schedulers, apex, etc...
trainer.fit(model)
```



## OPTIMIZATION

Lightning offers two modes for managing the optimization process:

- automatic optimization
- manual optimization

For the majority of research cases, **automatic optimization** will do the right thing for you and it is what most users should use.

For advanced/expert users who want to do esoteric optimization schedules or techniques, use **manual optimization**.

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### 35.1 Manual optimization

For advanced research topics like reinforcement learning, sparse coding, or GAN research, it may be desirable to manually manage the optimization process.

This is only recommended for experts who need ultimate flexibility. Lightning will handle only precision and accelerators logic. The users are left with `optimizer.zero_grad()`, gradient accumulation, model toggling, etc..

To manually optimize, do the following:

- Set `self.automatic_optimization=False` in your `LightningModule`'s `__init__`.
- Use the following functions and call them manually:
  - `self.optimizers()` to access your optimizers (one or multiple)
  - `optimizer.zero_grad()` to clear the gradients from the previous training step
  - `self.manual_backward(loss)` instead of `loss.backward()`
  - `optimizer.step()` to update your model parameters

Here is a minimal example of manual optimization.

```
from pytorch_lightning import LightningModule

class MyModel(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        # Important: This property activates manual optimization.
        self.automatic_optimization = False
```

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```
def training_step(batch, batch_idx):
    opt = self.optimizers()
    opt.zero_grad()
    loss = self.compute_loss(batch)
    self.manual_backward(loss)
    opt.step()
```

**Warning:** Before 1.2, `optimizer.step()` was calling `optimizer.zero_grad()` internally. From 1.2, it is left to the user's expertise.

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**Tip:** Be careful where you call `optimizer.zero_grad()`, or your model won't converge. It is good practice to call `optimizer.zero_grad()` before `self.manual_backward(loss)`.

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### 35.1.1 Gradient accumulation

You can accumulate gradients over batches similarly to `accumulate_grad_batches` of automatic optimization. To perform gradient accumulation with one optimizer, you can do as such.

```
# accumulate gradients over `n` batches
def __init__(self):
    super().__init__()
    self.automatic_optimization = False

def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    opt = self.optimizers()

    loss = self.compute_loss(batch)
    self.manual_backward(loss)

    # accumulate gradients of `n` batches
    if (batch_idx + 1) % n == 0:
        opt.step()
        opt.zero_grad()
```

### 35.1.2 Use multiple optimizers (like GANs) [manual]

Here is an example training a simple GAN with multiple optimizers.

```
import torch
from torch import Tensor
from pytorch_lightning import LightningModule

class SimpleGAN(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
```

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```

self.G = Generator()
self.D = Discriminator()

# Important: This property activates manual optimization.
self.automatic_optimization = False

def sample_z(self, n) -> Tensor:
    sample = self._Z.sample((n,))
    return sample

def sample_G(self, n) -> Tensor:
    z = self.sample_z(n)
    return self.G(z)

def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # Implementation follows the PyTorch tutorial:
    # https://pytorch.org/tutorials/beginner/dcgan_faces_tutorial.html
    g_opt, d_opt = self.optimizers()

    X, _ = batch
    batch_size = X.shape[0]

    real_label = torch.ones((batch_size, 1), device=self.device)
    fake_label = torch.zeros((batch_size, 1), device=self.device)

    g_X = self.sample_G(batch_size)

    #####
    # Optimize Discriminator #
    #####
    d_x = self.D(X)
    errD_real = self.criterion(d_x, real_label)

    d_z = self.D(g_X.detach())
    errD_fake = self.criterion(d_z, fake_label)

    errD = (errD_real + errD_fake)

    d_opt.zero_grad()
    self.manual_backward(errD)
    d_opt.step()

    #####
    # Optimize Generator #
    #####
    d_z = self.D(g_X)
    errG = self.criterion(d_z, real_label)

    g_opt.zero_grad()
    self.manual_backward(errG)
    g_opt.step()

    self.log_dict({'g_loss': errG, 'd_loss': errD}, prog_bar=True)

def configure_optimizers(self):
    g_opt = torch.optim.Adam(self.G.parameters(), lr=1e-5)
    d_opt = torch.optim.Adam(self.D.parameters(), lr=1e-5)

```

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```
return g_opt, d_opt
```

### 35.1.3 Learning rate scheduling [manual]

You can call `lr_scheduler.step()` at arbitrary intervals. Use `self.lr_schedulers()` in your `LightningModule` to access any learning rate schedulers defined in your `configure_optimizers()`.

#### Warning:

- Before 1.3, Lightning automatically called `lr_scheduler.step()` in both automatic and manual optimization. From 1.3, `lr_scheduler.step()` is now for the user to call at arbitrary intervals.
- Note that the `lr_dict` keys, such as "step" and "interval", will be ignored even if they are provided in your `configure_optimizers()` during manual optimization.

Here is an example calling `lr_scheduler.step()` every step.

```
# step every batch
def __init__(self):
    super().__init__()
    self.automatic_optimization = False

def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # do forward, backward, and optimization
    ...

    # single scheduler
    sch = self.lr_schedulers()
    sch.step()

    # multiple schedulers
    sch1, sch2 = self.lr_schedulers()
    sch1.step()
    sch2.step()
```

If you want to call `lr_scheduler.step()` every `n` steps/epochs, do the following.

```
def __init__(self):
    super().__init__()
    self.automatic_optimization = False

def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    # do forward, backward, and optimization
    ...

    sch = self.lr_schedulers()

    # step every `n` batches
    if (batch_idx + 1) % n == 0:
        sch.step()

    # step every `n` epochs
```

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```
if self.trainer.is_last_batch and (self.trainer.current_epoch + 1) % n == 0:
    sch.step()
```

### 35.1.4 Improve training speed with model toggling

Toggling models can improve your training speed when performing gradient accumulation with multiple optimizers in a distributed setting.

Here is an explanation of what it does:

- Considering the current optimizer as A and all other optimizers as B.
- Toggling means that all parameters from B exclusive to A will have their `requires_grad` attribute set to `False`.
- Their original state will be restored when exiting the context manager.

When performing gradient accumulation, there is no need to perform grad synchronization during the accumulation phase. Setting `sync_grad` to `False` will block this synchronization and improve your training speed.

`LightningOptimizer` provides a `toggle_model()` function as a `contextlib.contextmanager()` for advanced users.

Here is an example for advanced use-case.

```
# Scenario for a GAN with gradient accumulation every 2 batches and optimized for_
↪ multiple gpus.
class SimpleGAN(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.automatic_optimization = False

    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        # Implementation follows the PyTorch tutorial:
        # https://pytorch.org/tutorials/beginner/dcgan_faces_tutorial.html
        g_opt, d_opt = self.optimizers()

        X, _ = batch
        X.requires_grad = True
        batch_size = X.shape[0]

        real_label = torch.ones((batch_size, 1), device=self.device)
        fake_label = torch.zeros((batch_size, 1), device=self.device)

        # Sync and clear gradients
        # at the end of accumulation or
        # at the end of an epoch.
        is_last_batch_to_accumulate = \
            (batch_idx + 1) % 2 == 0 or self.trainer.is_last_batch

        g_X = self.sample_G(batch_size)

        #####
        # Optimize Discriminator #
```

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```
#####
with d_opt.toggle_model(sync_grad=is_last_batch_to_accumulate):
    d_x = self.D(X)
    errD_real = self.criterion(d_x, real_label)

    d_z = self.D(g_X.detach())
    errD_fake = self.criterion(d_z, fake_label)

    errD = (errD_real + errD_fake)

    self.manual_backward(errD)
    if is_last_batch_to_accumulate:
        d_opt.step()
        d_opt.zero_grad()

#####
# Optimize Generator #
#####
with g_opt.toggle_model(sync_grad=is_last_batch_to_accumulate):
    d_z = self.D(g_X)
    errG = self.criterion(d_z, real_label)

    self.manual_backward(errG)
    if is_last_batch_to_accumulate:
        g_opt.step()
        g_opt.zero_grad()

self.log_dict({'g_loss': errG, 'd_loss': errD}, prog_bar=True)
```

### 35.1.5 Use closure for LBFGS-like optimizers

It is a good practice to provide the optimizer with a closure function that performs a forward, zero\_grad and backward of your model. It is optional for most optimizers, but makes your code compatible if you switch to an optimizer which requires a closure, such as `torch.optim.LBFGS`.

See the [PyTorch docs](#) for more about the closure.

Here is an example using a closure function.

```
def __init__(self):
    super().__init__()
    self.automatic_optimization = False

def configure_optimizers(self):
    return torch.optim.LBFGS(...)

def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    opt = self.optimizers()

    def closure():
        loss = self.compute_loss(batch)
        opt.zero_grad()
        self.manual_backward(loss)
        return loss
```

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```
opt.step(closure=closure)
```

### 35.1.6 Access your own optimizer [manual]

`optimizer` is a `LightningOptimizer` object wrapping your own optimizer configured in your `configure_optimizers()`. You can access your own optimizer with `optimizer.optimizer`. However, if you use your own optimizer to perform a step, Lightning won't be able to support accelerators and precision for you.

```
def __init__(self):
    super().__init__()
    self.automatic_optimization = False

def training_step(batch, batch_idx):
    optimizer = self.optimizers()

    # `optimizer` is a `LightningOptimizer` wrapping the optimizer.
    # To access it, do the following.
    # However, it won't work on TPU, AMP, etc...
    optimizer = optimizer.optimizer
    ...
```

## 35.2 Automatic optimization

With Lightning, most users don't have to think about when to call `.zero_grad()`, `.backward()` and `.step()` since Lightning automates that for you.

Under the hood, Lightning does the following:

```
for epoch in epochs:
    for batch in data:
        loss = model.training_step(batch, batch_idx, ...)
        optimizer.zero_grad()
        loss.backward()
        optimizer.step()

    for lr_scheduler in lr_schedulers:
        lr_scheduler.step()
```

In the case of multiple optimizers, Lightning does the following:

```
for epoch in epochs:
    for batch in data:
        for opt in optimizers:
            loss = model.training_step(batch, batch_idx, optimizer_idx)
            opt.zero_grad()
            loss.backward()
            opt.step()
```

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```
for lr_scheduler in lr_schedulers:
    lr_scheduler.step()
```

**Warning:** Before 1.2.2, Lightning internally calls `backward`, `step` and `zero_grad` in the order. From 1.2.2, the order is changed to `zero_grad`, `backward` and `step`.

### 35.2.1 Learning rate scheduling

Every optimizer you use can be paired with any [Learning Rate Scheduler](#). In the basic use-case, the scheduler(s) should be returned as the second output from the `configure_optimizers()` method:

```
# no LR scheduler
def configure_optimizers(self):
    return Adam(...)

# Adam + LR scheduler
def configure_optimizers(self):
    optimizer = Adam(...)
    scheduler = LambdaLR(optimizer, ...)
    return [optimizer], [scheduler]

# Two optimizers each with a scheduler
def configure_optimizers(self):
    optimizer1 = Adam(...)
    optimizer2 = SGD(...)
    scheduler1 = LambdaLR(optimizer1, ...)
    scheduler2 = LambdaLR(optimizer2, ...)
    return [optimizer1, optimizer2], [scheduler1, scheduler2]
```

When there are schedulers in which the `.step()` method is conditioned on a metric value, such as the `ReduceLROnPlateau` scheduler, Lightning requires that the output from `configure_optimizers()` should be dicts, one for each optimizer, with the keyword "monitor" set to metric that the scheduler should be conditioned on.

```
# The ReduceLROnPlateau scheduler requires a monitor
def configure_optimizers(self):
    optimizer = Adam(...)
    return {
        'optimizer': optimizer,
        'lr_scheduler': ReduceLROnPlateau(optimizer, ...),
        'monitor': 'metric_to_track',
    }

# In the case of two optimizers, only one using the ReduceLROnPlateau scheduler
def configure_optimizers(self):
    optimizer1 = Adam(...)
    optimizer2 = SGD(...)
    scheduler1 = ReduceLROnPlateau(optimizer1, ...)
    scheduler2 = LambdaLR(optimizer2, ...)
    return (
        {'optimizer': optimizer1, 'lr_scheduler': scheduler1, 'monitor': 'metric_to_
track'},

```

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```
)
    {'optimizer': optimizer2, 'lr_scheduler': scheduler2},
```

**Note:** Metrics can be made available to monitor by simply logging it using `self.log('metric_to_track', metric_val)` in your `LightningModule`.

By default, all schedulers will be called after each epoch ends. To change this behaviour, a scheduler configuration should be returned as a dict which can contain the following keywords:

- "scheduler" (required): the actual scheduler object
- "monitor" (optional): metric to condition
- "interval" (optional): either "epoch" (default) for stepping after each epoch ends or "step" for stepping after each optimization step
- "frequency" (optional): how many epochs/steps should pass between calls to `scheduler.step()`. Default is 1, corresponding to updating the learning rate after every epoch/step.
- "strict" (optional): if set to `True`, will enforce that value specified in "monitor" is available while trying to call `scheduler.step()`, and stop training if not found. If `False`, it will only give a warning and continue training without calling the scheduler.
- "name" (optional): if using the `LearningRateMonitor` callback to monitor the learning rate progress, this keyword can be used to specify a name the learning rate should be logged as.

```
# Same as the above example with additional params passed to the first scheduler
# In this case the ReduceLROnPlateau will step after every 10 processed batches
def configure_optimizers(self):
    optimizers = [Adam(...), SGD(...)]
    schedulers = [
        {
            'scheduler': ReduceLROnPlateau(optimizers[0], ...),
            'monitor': 'metric_to_track',
            'interval': 'step',
            'frequency': 10,
            'strict': True,
        },
        LambdaLR(optimizers[1], ...)
    ]
    return optimizers, schedulers
```

### 35.2.2 Use multiple optimizers (like GANs)

To use multiple optimizers (optionally with learning rate schedulers), return two or more optimizers from `configure_optimizers()`.

```
# two optimizers, no schedulers
def configure_optimizers(self):
    return Adam(...), SGD(...)

# two optimizers, one scheduler for adam only
def configure_optimizers(self):
```

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```

    opt1 = Adam(...)
    opt2 = SGD(...)
    optimizers = [opt1, opt2]
    lr_schedulers = {'scheduler': ReduceLROnPlateau(opt1, ...), 'monitor': 'metric_to_
→track'}
    return optimizers, lr_schedulers

# two optimizers, two schedulers
def configure_optimizers(self):
    opt1 = Adam(...)
    opt2 = SGD(...)
    return [opt1, opt2], [StepLR(opt1, ...), OneCycleLR(opt2, ...)]

```

Under the hood, Lightning will call each optimizer sequentially:

```

for epoch in epochs:
    for batch in data:
        for opt in optimizers:
            loss = train_step(batch, batch_idx, optimizer_idx)
            opt.zero_grad()
            loss.backward()
            opt.step()

        for lr_scheduler in lr_schedulers:
            lr_scheduler.step()

```

### 35.2.3 Step optimizers at arbitrary intervals

To do more interesting things with your optimizers such as learning rate warm-up or odd scheduling, override the `optimizer_step()` function.

**Warning:** If you are overriding this method, make sure that you pass the `optimizer_closure` parameter to `optimizer.step()` function as shown in the examples because `training_step()`, `optimizer.zero_grad()`, `backward()` are called in the closure function.

For example, here step optimizer A every batch and optimizer B every 2 batches.

```

# Alternating schedule for optimizer steps (e.g. GANs)
def optimizer_step(
    self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx, optimizer_closure,
    on_tpu=False, using_native_amp=False, using_lbfgs=False,
):
    # update generator every step
    if optimizer_idx == 0:
        optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)

    # update discriminator every 2 steps
    if optimizer_idx == 1:
        if (batch_idx + 1) % 2 == 0:
            optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)

```

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```
# ...
# add as many optimizers as you want
```

Here we add a learning rate warm-up.

```
# learning rate warm-up
def optimizer_step(
    self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx, optimizer_closure,
    on_tpu=False, using_native_amp=False, using_lbfgs=False,
):
    # skip the first 500 steps
    if self.trainer.global_step < 500:
        lr_scale = min(1., float(self.trainer.global_step + 1) / 500.)
        for pg in optimizer.param_groups:
            pg['lr'] = lr_scale * self.hparams.learning_rate

    # update params
    optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)
```

### 35.2.4 Access your own optimizer

`optimizer` is a `LightningOptimizer` object wrapping your own optimizer configured in your `configure_optimizers()`. You can access your own optimizer with `optimizer.optimizer`. However, if you use your own optimizer to perform a step, Lightning won't be able to support accelerators and precision for you.

```
# function hook in LightningModule
def optimizer_step(
    self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx, optimizer_closure,
    on_tpu=False, using_native_amp=False, using_lbfgs=False,
):
    optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)

# `optimizer` is a `LightningOptimizer` wrapping the optimizer.
# To access it, do the following.
# However, it won't work on TPU, AMP, etc...
def optimizer_step(
    self, epoch, batch_idx, optimizer, optimizer_idx, optimizer_closure,
    on_tpu=False, using_native_amp=False, using_lbfgs=False,
):
    optimizer = optimizer.optimizer
    optimizer.step(closure=optimizer_closure)
```



## PERFORMANCE AND BOTTLENECK PROFILER

Profiling your training run can help you understand if there are any bottlenecks in your code.

### 36.1 Built-in checks

PyTorch Lightning supports profiling standard actions in the training loop out of the box, including:

- `on_epoch_start`
- `on_epoch_end`
- `on_batch_start`
- `tbptt_split_batch`
- `model_forward`
- `model_backward`
- `on_after_backward`
- `optimizer_step`
- `on_batch_end`
- `training_step_end`
- `on_training_end`

### 36.2 Enable simple profiling

If you only wish to profile the standard actions, you can set `profiler="simple"` when constructing your *Trainer* object.

```
trainer = Trainer(..., profiler="simple")
```

The profiler's results will be printed at the completion of a training *fit()*.

Profiler Report

Action	Mean duration (s)	Total time (s)
on_epoch_start	5.993e-06	5.993e-06
get_train_batch	0.0087412	16.398
on_batch_start	5.0865e-06	0.0095372

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model_forward	0.0017818	3.3408
model_backward	0.0018283	3.4282
on_after_backward	4.2862e-06	0.0080366
optimizer_step	0.0011072	2.0759
on_batch_end	4.5202e-06	0.0084753
on_epoch_end	3.919e-06	3.919e-06
on_train_end	5.449e-06	5.449e-06

## 36.3 Advanced Profiling

If you want more information on the functions called during each event, you can use the *AdvancedProfiler*. This option uses Python's *cProfiler* to provide a report of time spent on *each* function called within your code.

```
trainer = Trainer(..., profiler="advanced")

or

profiler = AdvancedProfiler()
trainer = Trainer(..., profiler=profiler)
```

The profiler's results will be printed at the completion of a training *fit()*. This profiler report can be quite long, so you can also specify an *output\_filename* to save the report instead of logging it to the output in your terminal. The output below shows the profiling for the action *get\_train\_batch*.

```
Profiler Report

Profile stats for: get_train_batch
    4869394 function calls (4863767 primitive calls) in 18.893 seconds
Ordered by: cumulative time
List reduced from 76 to 10 due to restriction <10>
ncalls  tottime  percall  cumtime  percall  filename:lineno(function)
3752/1876    0.011    0.000   18.887    0.010  {built-in method builtins.next}
    1876    0.008    0.000   18.877    0.010  dataloader.py:344(__next__)
    1876    0.074    0.000   18.869    0.010  dataloader.py:383(__next_data)
    1875    0.012    0.000   18.721    0.010  fetch.py:42(fetch)
    1875    0.084    0.000   18.290    0.010  fetch.py:44(<listcomp>)
   60000    1.759    0.000   18.206    0.000  mnist.py:80(__getitem__)
   60000    0.267    0.000   13.022    0.000  transforms.py:68(__call__)
   60000    0.182    0.000    7.020    0.000  transforms.py:93(__call__)
   60000    1.651    0.000    6.839    0.000  functional.py:42(to_tensor)
   60000    0.260    0.000    5.734    0.000  transforms.py:167(__call__)
```

You can also reference this profiler in your *LightningModule* to profile specific actions of interest. If you don't want to always have the profiler turned on, you can optionally pass a *PassThroughProfiler* which will allow you to skip profiling without having to make any code changes. Each profiler has a method *profile()* which returns a context handler. Simply pass in the name of your action that you want to track and the profiler will record performance for code executed within this context.

```
from pytorch_lightning.profiler import Profiler, PassThroughProfiler

class MyModel(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self, profiler=None):
        self.profiler = profiler or PassThroughProfiler()
```

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```

def custom_processing_step(self, data):
    with profiler.profile('my_custom_action'):
        # custom processing step
    return data

profiler = Profiler()
model = MyModel(profiler)
trainer = Trainer(profiler=profiler, max_epochs=1)

```

## 36.4 PyTorch Profiling

Autograd includes a profiler that lets you inspect the cost of different operators inside your model - both on the CPU and GPU.

To read more about the PyTorch Profiler and all its options, have a look at its [docs](#)

```

trainer = Trainer(..., profiler="pytorch")

or

profiler = PyTorchProfiler(...)
trainer = Trainer(..., profiler=profiler)

```

This profiler works with PyTorch DistributedDataParallel. If filename is provided, each rank will save their profiled operation to their own file. The profiler report can be quite long, so you setting a filename will save the report instead of logging it to the output in your terminal. If no filename is given, it will be logged only on rank 0.

The profiler's results will be printed on the completion of {fit, validate, test, predict}.

This profiler will record training\_step\_and\_backward, training\_step, backward, validation\_step, test\_step, and predict\_step by default. The output below shows the profiling for the action training\_step\_and\_backward. The user can provide PyTorchProfiler(record\_functions={...}) to extend the scope of profiled functions.

**Note:** When using the PyTorch Profiler, wall clock time will not be representative of the true wall clock time. This is due to forcing profiled operations to be measured synchronously, when many CUDA ops happen asynchronously. It is recommended to use this Profiler to find bottlenecks/breakdowns, however for end to end wall clock time use the *SimpleProfiler*. # noqa E501

```

Profiler Report

Profile stats for: training_step_and_backward
-----
Name          Self CPU total %   Self CPU total   CPU total %   CPU total
CPU time avg
-----
t              62.10%          1.044ms         62.77%         1.055ms
addmm          32.32%          543.135us       32.69%         549.362us

```

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mse_loss	1.35%	22.657us	3.58%	60.105us	↳
↳ 60.105us					
mean	0.22%	3.694us	2.05%	34.523us	↳
↳ 34.523us					
div_	0.64%	10.756us	1.90%	32.001us	↳
↳ 16.000us					
ones_like	0.21%	3.461us	0.81%	13.669us	↳
↳ 13.669us					
sum_out	0.45%	7.638us	0.74%	12.432us	↳
↳ 12.432us					
transpose	0.23%	3.786us	0.68%	11.393us	↳
↳ 11.393us					
as_strided	0.60%	10.060us	0.60%	10.060us	↳
↳ 3.353us					
to	0.18%	3.059us	0.44%	7.464us	↳
↳ 7.464us					
empty_like	0.14%	2.387us	0.41%	6.859us	↳
↳ 6.859us					
empty_strided	0.38%	6.351us	0.38%	6.351us	↳
↳ 3.175us					
fill_	0.28%	4.782us	0.33%	5.566us	↳
↳ 2.783us					
expand	0.20%	3.336us	0.28%	4.743us	↳
↳ 4.743us					
empty	0.27%	4.456us	0.27%	4.456us	↳
↳ 2.228us					
copy_	0.15%	2.526us	0.15%	2.526us	↳
↳ 2.526us					
broadcast_tensors	0.15%	2.492us	0.15%	2.492us	↳
↳ 2.492us					
size	0.06%	0.967us	0.06%	0.967us	↳
↳ 0.484us					
is_complex	0.06%	0.961us	0.06%	0.961us	↳
↳ 0.481us					
stride	0.03%	0.517us	0.03%	0.517us	↳
↳ 0.517us					
-----					
↳ ---					
Self CPU time total: 1.681ms					

When running with `PyTorchProfiler(emit_nvtx=True)`. You should run as following:

```
nvprof --profile-from-start off -o trace_name.prof -- <regular command here>
```

To visualize the profiled operation, you can either:

Use:

```
nvvp trace_name.prof
```

Or:

```
python -c 'import torch; print(torch.autograd.profiler.load_nvprof("trace_name.prof"))'
↳ '
```

```
class pytorch_lightning.profiler.AdvancedProfiler (dirpath=None, filename=None,
line_count_restriction=1.0, out-
put_filename=None)
```

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.BaseProfiler`

This profiler uses Python’s cProfiler to record more detailed information about time spent in each function call recorded during a given action. The output is quite verbose and you should only use this if you want very detailed reports.

#### Parameters

- **dirpath** (Union[str, Path, None]) – Directory path for the filename. If dirpath is None but filename is present, the `trainer.log_dir` (from `TensorBoardLogger`) will be used.
- **filename** (Optional[str]) – If present, filename where the profiler results will be saved instead of printing to stdout. The `.txt` extension will be used automatically.
- **line\_count\_restriction** (float) – this can be used to limit the number of functions reported for each action. either an integer (to select a count of lines), or a decimal fraction between 0.0 and 1.0 inclusive (to select a percentage of lines)

**Raises** `ValueError` – If you attempt to stop recording an action which was never started.

**start** (action\_name)

Defines how to start recording an action.

**Return type** `None`

**stop** (action\_name)

Defines how to record the duration once an action is complete.

**Return type** `None`

**summary** ()

Create profiler summary in text format.

**Return type** `str`

**teardown** (stage=None)

Execute arbitrary post-profiling tear-down steps.

Closes the currently open file and stream.

**Return type** `None`

**class** `pytorch_lightning.profiler.BaseProfiler` (dirpath=None, filename=None, output\_filename=None)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.AbstractProfiler`

If you wish to write a custom profiler, you should inherit from this class.

**describe** ()

Logs a profile report after the conclusion of run.

**Return type** `None`

**profile** (action\_name)

Yields a context manager to encapsulate the scope of a profiled action.

Example:

```
with self.profile('load training data'):
    # load training data code
```

The profiler will start once you’ve entered the context and will automatically stop once you exit the code block.

**Return type** `None`

**setup** (*stage=None, local\_rank=None, log\_dir=None*)  
Execute arbitrary pre-profiling set-up steps.

**Return type** `None`

**start** (*action\_name*)  
Defines how to start recording an action.

**Return type** `None`

**stop** (*action\_name*)  
Defines how to record the duration once an action is complete.

**Return type** `None`

**summary** ()  
Create profiler summary in text format.

**Return type** `str`

**teardown** (*stage=None*)  
Execute arbitrary post-profiling tear-down steps.

Closes the currently open file and stream.

**Return type** `None`

**class** `pytorch_lightning.profiler.PassThroughProfiler` (*dirpath=None, filename=None, output\_filename=None*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.BaseProfiler`

This class should be used when you don't want the (small) overhead of profiling. The Trainer uses this class by default.

**start** (*action\_name*)  
Defines how to start recording an action.

**Return type** `None`

**stop** (*action\_name*)  
Defines how to record the duration once an action is complete.

**Return type** `None`

**summary** ()  
Create profiler summary in text format.

**Return type** `str`

**class** `pytorch_lightning.profiler.PyTorchProfiler` (*dirpath=None, filename=None, group\_by\_input\_shapes=False, emit\_nvtx=False, export\_to\_chrome=True, row\_limit=20, sort\_by\_key=None, record\_functions=None, record\_module\_names=True, profiled\_functions=None, output\_filename=None, \*\*profiler\_kwargs*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.BaseProfiler`

This profiler uses PyTorch's Autograd Profiler and lets you inspect the cost of different operators inside your model - both on the CPU and GPU

## Parameters

- **dirpath** (Union[str, Path, None]) – Directory path for the filename. If dirpath is None but filename is present, the `trainer.log_dir` (from *TensorBoardLogger*) will be used.
- **filename** (Optional[str]) – If present, filename where the profiler results will be saved instead of printing to stdout. The `.txt` extension will be used automatically.
- **group\_by\_input\_shapes** (bool) – Include operator input shapes and group calls by shape.
- **emit\_nvtx** (bool) – Context manager that makes every autograd operation emit an NVTX range Run:

```
nvprof --profile-from-start off -o trace_name.prof -- <regular_
↪command here>
```

To visualize, you can either use:

```
nvvp trace_name.prof
torch.autograd.profiler.load_nvprof(path)
```

- **export\_to\_chrome** (bool) – Whether to export the sequence of profiled operators for Chrome. It will generate a `.json` file which can be read by Chrome.
- **row\_limit** (int) – Limit the number of rows in a table, `-1` is a special value that removes the limit completely.
- **sort\_by\_key** (Optional[str]) – Attribute used to sort entries. By default they are printed in the same order as they were registered. Valid keys include: `cpu_time`, `cuda_time`, `cpu_time_total`, `cuda_time_total`, `cpu_memory_usage`, `cuda_memory_usage`, `self_cpu_memory_usage`, `self_cuda_memory_usage`, `count`.
- **record\_functions** (Optional[Set[str]]) – Set of profiled functions which will create a context manager on. Any other will be pass through.
- **record\_module\_names** (bool) – Whether to add module names while recording autograd operation.
- **profiler\_kwargs** (Any) – Keyword arguments for the PyTorch profiler. This depends on your PyTorch version

**Raises `MisconfigurationException`** – If arg `sort_by_key` is not present in `AVAILABLE_SORT_KEYS`. If arg `schedule` is not a Callable. If arg `schedule` does not return a `torch.profiler.ProfilerAction`.

**start** (action\_name)

Defines how to start recording an action.

**Return type** None

**stop** (action\_name)

Defines how to record the duration once an action is complete.

**Return type** None

**summary** ()

Create profiler summary in text format.

**Return type** str

**teardown** (*stage=None*)

Execute arbitrary post-profiling tear-down steps.

Closes the currently open file and stream.

**Return type** `None`

**class** `pytorch_lightning.profiler.SimpleProfiler` (*dirpath=None, filename=None, extended=True, output\_filename=None*)

Bases: `pytorch_lightning.profiler.profilers.BaseProfiler`

This profiler simply records the duration of actions (in seconds) and reports the mean duration of each action and the total time spent over the entire training run.

#### Parameters

- **dirpath** `Union[str, Path, None]` – Directory path for the filename. If `dirpath` is `None` but `filename` is present, the `trainer.log_dir` (from `TensorBoardLogger`) will be used.
- **filename** `Optional[str]` – If present, filename where the profiler results will be saved instead of printing to stdout. The `.txt` extension will be used automatically.

**Raises** `ValueError` – If you attempt to start an action which has already started, or if you attempt to stop recording an action which was never started.

**start** (*action\_name*)

Defines how to start recording an action.

**Return type** `None`

**stop** (*action\_name*)

Defines how to record the duration once an action is complete.

**Return type** `None`

**summary** ()

Create profiler summary in text format.

**Return type** `str`

## SINGLE GPU TRAINING

Make sure you are running on a machine that has at least one GPU. Lightning handles all the NVIDIA flags for you, there's no need to set them yourself.

```
# train on 1 GPU (using dp mode)
trainer = Trainer(gpus=1)
```





## SEQUENTIAL DATA

Lightning has built in support for dealing with sequential data.

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### 38.1 Packed sequences as inputs

When using PackedSequence, do 2 things:

1. Return either a padded tensor in dataset or a list of variable length tensors in the dataloader collate\_fn (example shows the list implementation).
2. Pack the sequence in forward or training and validation steps depending on use case.

```
# For use in dataloader
def collate_fn(batch):
    x = [item[0] for item in batch]
    y = [item[1] for item in batch]
    return x, y

# In module
def training_step(self, batch, batch_nb):
    x = rnn.pack_sequence(batch[0], enforce_sorted=False)
    y = rnn.pack_sequence(batch[1], enforce_sorted=False)
```

### 38.2 Truncated Backpropagation Through Time

There are times when multiple backwards passes are needed for each batch. For example, it may save memory to use Truncated Backpropagation Through Time when training RNNs.

Lightning can handle TBTT automatically via this flag.

```
from pytorch_lightning import LightningModule

class MyModel(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        # Important: This property activates truncated backpropagation through time
        # Setting this value to 2 splits the batch into sequences of size 2
```

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```

self.truncated_bptt_steps = 2

# Truncated back-propagation through time
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx, hiddens):
    # the training step must be updated to accept a ``hiddens`` argument
    # hiddens are the hiddens from the previous truncated backprop step
    out, hiddens = self.lstm(data, hiddens)
    return {
        "loss": ...,
        "hiddens": hiddens
    }

```

---

**Note:** If you need to modify how the batch is split, override `pytorch_lightning.core.LightningModule.tbptt_split_batch()`.

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## 38.3 Iterable Datasets

Lightning supports using IterableDatasets as well as map-style Datasets. IterableDatasets provide a more natural option when using sequential data.

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**Note:** When using an IterableDataset you must set the `val_check_interval` to 1.0 (the default) or an int (specifying the number of training batches to run before validation) when initializing the Trainer. This is because the IterableDataset does not have a `__len__` and Lightning requires this to calculate the validation interval when `val_check_interval` is less than one. Similarly, you can set `limit_{mode}_batches` to a float or an int. If it is set to 0.0 or 0 it will set `num_{mode}_batches` to 0, if it is an int it will set `num_{mode}_batches` to `limit_{mode}_batches`, if it is set to 1.0 it will run for the whole dataset, otherwise it will throw an exception. Here mode can be train/val/test.

---

```

# IterableDataset
class CustomDataset(IterableDataset):

    def __init__(self, data):
        self.data_source

    def __iter__(self):
        return iter(self.data_source)

# Setup DataLoader
def train_dataloader(self):
    seq_data = ['A', 'long', 'time', 'ago', 'in', 'a', 'galaxy', 'far', 'far', 'away']
    iterable_dataset = CustomDataset(seq_data)

    dataloader = DataLoader(dataset=iterable_dataset, batch_size=5)
    return dataloader

```

```

# Set val_check_interval
trainer = Trainer(val_check_interval=100)

```

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```
# Set limit_val_batches to 0.0 or 0
trainer = Trainer(limit_val_batches=0.0)

# Set limit_val_batches as an int
trainer = Trainer(limit_val_batches=100)
```



## TRAINING TRICKS

Lightning implements various tricks to help during training

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### 39.1 Accumulate gradients

Accumulated gradients runs K small batches of size N before doing a backwards pass. The effect is a large effective batch size of size KxN.

**See also:**

*Trainer*

```
# DEFAULT (ie: no accumulated grads)
trainer = Trainer(accumulate_grad_batches=1)
```

---

### 39.2 Gradient Clipping

Gradient clipping may be enabled to avoid exploding gradients. By default, this will [clip the gradient norm](#) computed over all model parameters together. If `gradient_clip_algorithm` option is set to `value`, which is norm by default, this will [clip the gradient value](#) for each parameter instead.

**See also:**

*Trainer*

```
# DEFAULT (ie: don't clip)
trainer = Trainer(gradient_clip_val=0)

# clip gradients with norm above 0.5
trainer = Trainer(gradient_clip_val=0.5)

# clip gradients with value above 0.5
# gradient_clip_algorithm types => :class:`~pytorch_lightning.utilities.enums.
#   ↳ GradClipAlgorithmType`
trainer = Trainer(gradient_clip_val=0.5, gradient_clip_algorithm='value')
```

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## 39.3 Stochastic Weight Averaging

Stochastic Weight Averaging (SWA) can make your models generalize better at virtually no additional cost. This can be used with both non-trained and trained models. The SWA procedure smooths the loss landscape thus making it harder to end up in a local minimum during optimization.

For a more detailed explanation of SWA and how it works, read [this](#) post by the PyTorch team.

**See also:**

*StochasticWeightAveraging* (Callback)

```
# Enable Stochastic Weight Averaging
trainer = Trainer(stochastic_weight_avg=True)
```

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## 39.4 Auto scaling of batch size

Auto scaling of batch size may be enabled to find the largest batch size that fits into memory. Larger batch size often yields better estimates of gradients, but may also result in longer training time. Inspired by <https://github.com/BlackHC/toma>.

**See also:**

*Trainer*

```
# DEFAULT (ie: don't scale batch size automatically)
trainer = Trainer(auto_scale_batch_size=None)

# Autoscale batch size
trainer = Trainer(auto_scale_batch_size=None|'power'|'binsearch')

# find the batch size
trainer.tune(model)
```

Currently, this feature supports two modes ‘power’ scaling and ‘binsearch’ scaling. In ‘power’ scaling, starting from a batch size of 1 keeps doubling the batch size until an out-of-memory (OOM) error is encountered. Setting the argument to ‘binsearch’ will initially also try doubling the batch size until it encounters an OOM, after which it will do a binary search that will finetune the batch size. Additionally, it should be noted that the batch size scaler cannot search for batch sizes larger than the size of the training dataset.

---

**Note:** This feature expects that a *batch\_size* field is either located as a model attribute i.e. *model.batch\_size* or as a field in your *hparams* i.e. *model.hparams.batch\_size*. The field should exist and will be overridden by the results of this algorithm. Additionally, your *train\_dataloader()* method should depend on this field for this feature to work i.e.

```
def train_dataloader(self):
    return DataLoader(train_dataset, batch_size=self.batch_size|self.hparams.batch_
    ↪size)
```

---

**Warning:** Due to these constraints, this features does *NOT* work when passing dataloaders directly to *.fit()*.

The scaling algorithm has a number of parameters that the user can control by invoking the `scale_batch_size()` method:

```
# Use default in trainer construction
trainer = Trainer()
tuner = Tuner(trainer)

# Invoke method
new_batch_size = tuner.scale_batch_size(model, *extra_parameters_here)

# Override old batch size (this is done automatically)
model.hparams.batch_size = new_batch_size

# Fit as normal
trainer.fit(model)
```

The algorithm in short works by:

1. Dumping the current state of the model and trainer
2. **Iteratively until convergence or maximum number of tries *max\_trials* (default 25) has been reached:**
  - Call `fit()` method of trainer. This evaluates *steps\_per\_trial* (default 3) number of training steps. Each training step can trigger an OOM error if the tensors (training batch, weights, gradients, etc.) allocated during the steps have a too large memory footprint.
  - If an OOM error is encountered, decrease batch size else increase it. How much the batch size is increased/decreased is determined by the chosen strategy.
3. The found batch size is saved to either `model.batch_size` or `model.hparams.batch_size`
4. Restore the initial state of model and trainer

**Warning:** Batch size finder is not supported for DDP yet, it is coming soon.

## 39.5 Advanced GPU Optimizations

When training on single or multiple GPU machines, Lightning offers a host of advanced optimizations to improve throughput, memory efficiency, and model scaling. Refer to [Advanced GPU Optimized Training for more details](#).





## PRUNING AND QUANTIZATION

Pruning and Quantization are techniques to compress model size for deployment, allowing inference speed up and energy saving without significant accuracy losses.

### 40.1 Pruning

**Warning:** Pruning is in beta and subject to change.

Pruning is a technique which focuses on eliminating some of the model weights to reduce the model size and decrease inference requirements.

Pruning has been shown to achieve significant efficiency improvements while minimizing the drop in model performance (prediction quality). Model pruning is recommended for cloud endpoints, deploying models on edge devices, or mobile inference (among others).

To enable pruning during training in Lightning, simply pass in the `ModelPruning` callback to the Lightning Trainer. PyTorch's native pruning implementation is used under the hood.

This callback supports multiple pruning functions: pass any `torch.nn.utils.prune` function as a string to select which weights to prune (`random_unstructured`, `RandomStructured`, etc) or implement your own by subclassing `BasePruningMethod`.

```
from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import ModelPruning

# set the amount to be the fraction of parameters to prune
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[ModelPruning("l1_unstructured", amount=0.5)])
```

You can also perform iterative pruning, apply the [lottery ticket hypothesis](#), and more!

```
def compute_amount(epoch):
    # the sum of all returned values need to be smaller than 1
    if epoch == 10:
        return 0.5

    elif epoch == 50:
        return 0.25

    elif 75 < epoch < 99 :
        return 0.01
```

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```
# the amount can be also be a callable
trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[ModelPruning("l1_unstructured", amount=compute_amount)])
```

## 40.2 Quantization

**Warning:** Quantization is in beta and subject to change.

Model quantization is another performance optimization technique that allows speeding up inference and decreasing memory requirements by performing computations and storing tensors at lower bitwidths (such as INT8 or FLOAT16) than floating-point precision. This is particularly beneficial during model deployment.

Quantization Aware Training (QAT) mimics the effects of quantization during training: The computations are carried-out in floating-point precision but the subsequent quantization effect is taken into account. The weights and activations are quantized into lower precision only for inference, when training is completed.

Quantization is useful when it is required to serve large models on machines with limited memory, or when there's a need to switch between models and reducing the I/O time is important. For example, switching between monolingual speech recognition models across multiple languages.

Lightning includes `QuantizationAwareTraining` callback (using PyTorch's native quantization, read more [here](#)), which allows creating fully quantized models (compatible with torchscript).

```
from pytorch_lightning.callbacks import QuantizationAwareTraining

class RegressionModel(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.layer_0 = nn.Linear(16, 64)
        self.layer_0a = torch.nn.ReLU()
        self.layer_1 = nn.Linear(64, 64)
        self.layer_1a = torch.nn.ReLU()
        self.layer_end = nn.Linear(64, 1)

    def forward(self, x):
        x = self.layer_0(x)
        x = self.layer_0a(x)
        x = self.layer_1(x)
        x = self.layer_1a(x)
        x = self.layer_end(x)
        return x

trainer = Trainer(callbacks=[QuantizationAwareTraining()])
qmodel = RegressionModel()
trainer.fit(qmodel, ...)

batch = iter(my_dataloader()).next()
qmodel(qmodel.quant(batch[0]))

tsmodel = qmodel.to_torchscript()
tsmodel(tsmodel.quant(batch[0]))
```

You can further customize the callback:

```
qcb = QuantizationAwareTraining(  
    # specification of quant estimation quality  
    observer_type='histogram',  
    # specify which layers shall be merged together to increase efficiency  
    modules_to_fuse=[(f'layer_{i}', f'layer_{i}a') for i in range(2)]  
    # make your model compatible with all original input/outputs, in such case_  
    ↪ the model is wrapped in a shell with entry/exit layers.  
    input_compatible=True  
)  
  
batch = iter(my_dataloader()).next()  
qmodel(batch[0])
```



## TRANSFER LEARNING

### 41.1 Using Pretrained Models

Sometimes we want to use a `LightningModule` as a pretrained model. This is fine because a `LightningModule` is just a `torch.nn.Module`!

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**Note:** Remember that a `LightningModule` is EXACTLY a `torch.nn.Module` but with more capabilities.

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Let's use the *AutoEncoder* as a feature extractor in a separate model.

```
class Encoder(torch.nn.Module):
    ...

class AutoEncoder(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self):
        self.encoder = Encoder()
        self.decoder = Decoder()

class CIFAR10Classifier(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self):
        # init the pretrained LightningModule
        self.feature_extractor = AutoEncoder.load_from_checkpoint(PATH)
        self.feature_extractor.freeze()

        # the autoencoder outputs a 100-dim representation and CIFAR-10 has 10 classes
        self.classifier = nn.Linear(100, 10)

    def forward(self, x):
        representations = self.feature_extractor(x)
        x = self.classifier(representations)
        ...
```

We used our pretrained Autoencoder (a `LightningModule`) for transfer learning!

## 41.2 Example: Imagenet (computer Vision)

```
import torchvision.models as models

class ImagenetTransferLearning(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()

        # init a pretrained resnet
        backbone = models.resnet50(pretrained=True)
        num_filters = backbone.fc.in_features
        layers = list(backbone.children())[:-1]
        self.feature_extractor = nn.Sequential(*layers)

        # use the pretrained model to classify cifar-10 (10 image classes)
        num_target_classes = 10
        self.classifier = nn.Linear(num_filters, num_target_classes)

    def forward(self, x):
        self.feature_extractor.eval()
        with torch.no_grad():
            representations = self.feature_extractor(x).flatten(1)
        x = self.classifier(representations)
        ...
```

### Finetune

```
model = ImagenetTransferLearning()
trainer = Trainer()
trainer.fit(model)
```

And use it to predict your data of interest

```
model = ImagenetTransferLearning.load_from_checkpoint(PATH)
model.freeze()

x = some_images_from_cifar10()
predictions = model(x)
```

We used a pretrained model on imagenet, finetuned on CIFAR-10 to predict on CIFAR-10. In the non-academic world we would finetune on a tiny dataset you have and predict on your dataset.

## 41.3 Example: BERT (NLP)

Lightning is completely agnostic to what's used for transfer learning so long as it is a `torch.nn.Module` subclass.

Here's a model that uses [Huggingface transformers](#).

```
class BertMNLIFinetuner(LightningModule):

    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()

        self.bert = BertModel.from_pretrained('bert-base-cased', output_
→attentions=True)
```

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```
self.W = nn.Linear(bert.config.hidden_size, 3)
self.num_classes = 3

def forward(self, input_ids, attention_mask, token_type_ids):

    h, _, attn = self.bert(input_ids=input_ids,
                           attention_mask=attention_mask,
                           token_type_ids=token_type_ids)

    h_cls = h[:, 0]
    logits = self.W(h_cls)
    return logits, attn
```





## TPU SUPPORT

Lightning supports running on TPUs. At this moment, TPUs are available on Google Cloud (GCP), Google Colab and Kaggle Environments. For more information on TPUs [watch this video](#).

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### 42.1 TPU Terminology

A TPU is a Tensor processing unit. Each TPU has 8 cores where each core is optimized for 128x128 matrix multiplies. In general, a single TPU is about as fast as 5 V100 GPUs!

A TPU pod hosts many TPUs on it. Currently, TPU pod v2 has 2048 cores! You can request a full pod from Google cloud or a “slice” which gives you some subset of those 2048 cores.

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### 42.2 How to access TPUs

To access TPUs, there are three main ways.

1. Using Google Colab.
  2. Using Google Cloud (GCP).
  3. Using Kaggle.
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### 42.3 Kaggle TPUs

For starting Kaggle projects with TPUs, refer to this [kernel](#).

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## 42.4 Colab TPUs

Colab is like a jupyter notebook with a free GPU or TPU hosted on GCP.

To get a TPU on colab, follow these steps:

1. Go to <https://colab.research.google.com/>.
2. Click “new notebook” (bottom right of pop-up).
3. Click runtime > change runtime settings. Select Python 3, and hardware accelerator “TPU”. This will give you a TPU with 8 cores.
4. Next, insert this code into the first cell and execute. This will install the xla library that interfaces between PyTorch and the TPU.

```
!pip install cloud-tpu-client==0.10 https://storage.googleapis.com/tpu-pytorch/
↪wheels/torch_xla-1.8-cp37-cp37m-linux_x86_64.whl
```

5. Once the above is done, install PyTorch Lightning (v 0.7.0+).

```
!pip install pytorch-lightning
```

6. Then set up your LightningModule as normal.
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## 42.5 DistributedSamplers

Lightning automatically inserts the correct samplers - no need to do this yourself!

Usually, with TPUs (and DDP), you would need to define a DistributedSampler to move the right chunk of data to the appropriate TPU. As mentioned, this is not needed in Lightning

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**Note:** Don’t add distributedSamplers. Lightning does this automatically

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If for some reason you still need to, this is how to construct the sampler for TPU use

```
import torch_xla.core.xla_model as xm

def train_dataloader(self):
    dataset = MNIST(
        os.getcwd(),
        train=True,
        download=True,
        transform=transforms.ToTensor()
    )

    # required for TPU support
    sampler = None
    if use_tpu:
        sampler = torch.utils.data.distributed.DistributedSampler(
            dataset,
            num_replicas=xm.xrt_world_size(),
            rank=xm.get_ordinal(),
```

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        shuffle=True
    )

    loader = DataLoader(
        dataset,
        sampler=sampler,
        batch_size=32
    )

    return loader

```

Configure the number of TPU cores in the trainer. You can only choose 1 or 8. To use a full TPU pod skip to the TPU pod section.

```

import pytorch_lightning as pl

my_model = MyLightningModule()
trainer = pl.Trainer(tpu_cores=8)
trainer.fit(my_model)

```

That's it! Your model will train on all 8 TPU cores.

## 42.6 TPU core training

Lightning supports training on a single TPU core or 8 TPU cores.

The Trainer parameters `tpu_cores` defines how many TPU cores to train on (1 or 8) / Single TPU to train on [1].

For Single TPU training, Just pass the TPU core ID [1-8] in a list.

Single TPU core training. Model will train on TPU core ID 5.

```

trainer = pl.Trainer(tpu_cores=[5])

```

8 TPU cores training. Model will train on 8 TPU cores.

```

trainer = pl.Trainer(tpu_cores=8)

```

## 42.7 Distributed Backend with TPU

The `accelerator` option used for GPUs does not apply to TPUs. TPUs work in DDP mode by default (distributing over each core)

## 42.8 TPU Pod

To train on more than 8 cores, your code actually doesn't change! All you need to do is submit the following command:

```
$ python -m torch_xla.distributed.xla_dist
--tpu=$TPU_POD_NAME
--conda-env=torch-xla-nightly
-- python /usr/share/torch-xla-0.5/pytorch/xla/test/test_train_imagenet.py --fake_data
```

See [this guide](#) on how to set up the instance groups and VMs needed to run TPU Pods.

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## 42.9 16 bit precision

Lightning also supports training in 16-bit precision with TPUs. By default, TPU training will use 32-bit precision. To enable 16-bit, set the 16-bit flag.

```
import pytorch_lightning as pl

my_model = MyLightningModule()
trainer = pl.Trainer(tpu_cores=8, precision=16)
trainer.fit(my_model)
```

Under the hood the xla library will use the `bfloat16` type.

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## 42.10 Weight Sharing/Tying

Weight Tying/Sharing is a technique where in the module weights are shared among two or more layers. This is a common method to reduce memory consumption and is utilized in many State of the Art architectures today.

PyTorch XLA requires these weights to be tied/shared after moving the model to the TPU device. To support this requirement Lightning provides a model hook which is called after the model is moved to the device. Any weights that require to be tied should be done in the `on_post_move_to_device` model hook. This will ensure that the weights among the modules are shared and not copied.

PyTorch Lightning has an inbuilt check which verifies that the model parameter lengths match once the model is moved to the device. If the lengths do not match Lightning throws a warning message.

Example:

```
from pytorch_lightning.core.lightning import LightningModule
from torch import nn
from pytorch_lightning.trainer.trainer import Trainer

class WeightSharingModule(LightningModule):
    def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.layer_1 = nn.Linear(32, 10, bias=False)
        self.layer_2 = nn.Linear(10, 32, bias=False)
```

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```

self.layer_3 = nn.Linear(32, 10, bias=False)
# TPU shared weights are copied independently
# on the XLA device and this line won't have any effect.
# However, it works fine for CPU and GPU.
self.layer_3.weight = self.layer_1.weight

def forward(self, x):
    x = self.layer_1(x)
    x = self.layer_2(x)
    x = self.layer_3(x)
    return x

def on_post_move_to_device(self):
    # Weights shared after the model has been moved to TPU Device
    self.layer_3.weight = self.layer_1.weight

model = WeightSharingModule()
trainer = Trainer(max_epochs=1, tpu_cores=8)

```

See [XLA Documentation](#)

## 42.11 Performance considerations

The TPU was designed for specific workloads and operations to carry out large volumes of matrix multiplication, convolution operations and other commonly used ops in applied deep learning. The specialization makes it a strong choice for NLP tasks, sequential convolutional networks, and under low precision operation. There are cases in which training on TPUs is slower when compared with GPUs, for possible reasons listed:

- Too small batch size.
- Explicit evaluation of tensors during training, e.g. `tensor.item()`
- Tensor shapes (e.g. model inputs) change often during training.
- Limited resources when using TPU's with PyTorch [Link](#)
- XLA Graph compilation during the initial steps [Reference](#)
- Some tensor ops are not fully supported on TPU, or not supported at all. These operations will be performed on CPU (context switch).
- PyTorch integration is still experimental. Some performance bottlenecks may simply be the result of unfinished implementation.

The official PyTorch XLA [performance guide](#) has more detailed information on how PyTorch code can be optimized for TPU. In particular, the [metrics report](#) allows one to identify operations that lead to context switching.

## 42.12 About XLA

XLA is the library that interfaces PyTorch with the TPUs. For more information check out [XLA](#).

Guide for [troubleshooting XLA](#)

## TEST SET

Lightning forces the user to run the test set separately to make sure it isn't evaluated by mistake. Testing is performed using the `trainer` object's `.test()` method.

`Trainer.test(model=None, test_dataloaders=None, ckpt_path='best', verbose=True, datamodule=None)`

Perform one evaluation epoch over the test set. It's separated from `fit` to make sure you never run on your test set until you want to.

### Parameters

- **model** (Optional[*LightningModule*]) – The model to test.
- **test\_dataloaders** (Union[*DataLoader*, List[*DataLoader*], None]) – Either a single PyTorch *DataLoader* or a list of them, specifying test samples.
- **ckpt\_path** (Optional[str]) – Either `best` or path to the checkpoint you wish to test. If `None`, use the current weights of the model. When the model is given as argument, this parameter will not apply.
- **verbose** (bool) – If `True`, prints the test results.
- **datamodule** (Optional[*LightningDataModule*]) – An instance of *LightningDataModule*.

**Return type** List[Dict[str, float]]

**Returns** Returns a list of dictionaries, one for each test dataloader containing their respective metrics.

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## 43.1 Test after fit

To run the test set after training completes, use this method.

```
# run full training
trainer.fit(model)

# (1) load the best checkpoint automatically (lightning tracks this for you)
trainer.test()

# (2) don't load a checkpoint, instead use the model with the latest weights
trainer.test(ckpt_path=None)

# (3) test using a specific checkpoint
```

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```
trainer.test(ckpt_path='/path/to/my_checkpoint.ckpt')

# (4) test with an explicit model (will use this model and not load a checkpoint)
trainer.test(model)
```

---

## 43.2 Test multiple models

You can run the test set on multiple models using the same trainer instance.

```
model1 = LitModel()
model2 = GANModel()

trainer = Trainer()
trainer.test(model1)
trainer.test(model2)
```

---

## 43.3 Test pre-trained model

To run the test set on a pre-trained model, use this method.

```
model = MyLightningModule.load_from_checkpoint(
    checkpoint_path='/path/to/pytorch_checkpoint.ckpt',
    hparams_file='/path/to/test_tube/experiment/version/hparams.yaml',
    map_location=None
)

# init trainer with whatever options
trainer = Trainer(...)

# test (pass in the model)
trainer.test(model)
```

In this case, the options you pass to trainer will be used when running the test set (ie: 16-bit, dp, ddp, etc...)

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## 43.4 Test with additional data loaders

You can still run inference on a test set even if the `test_dataloader` method hasn't been defined within your *lightning module* instance. This would be the case when your test data is not available at the time your model was declared.

```
# setup your data loader
test = DataLoader(...)

# test (pass in the loader)
trainer.test(test_dataloaders=test)
```



You can either pass in a single dataloader or a list of them. This optional named parameter can be used in conjunction with any of the above use cases. Additionally, you can also pass in an *datamodules* that have overridden the *test\_dataloader* method.

```
class MyDataModule(pl.LightningDataModule):  
    ...  
    def test_dataloader(self):  
        return DataLoader(...)  
  
# setup your datamodule  
dm = MyDataModule(...)  
  
# test (pass in datamodule)  
trainer.test(datamodule=dm)
```



## INFERENCE IN PRODUCTION

PyTorch Lightning eases the process of deploying models into production.

### 44.1 Exporting to ONNX

PyTorch Lightning provides a handy function to quickly export your model to ONNX format, which allows the model to be independent of PyTorch and run on an ONNX Runtime.

To export your model to ONNX format call the `to_onnx` function on your Lightning Module with the filepath and `input_sample`.

```
filepath = 'model.onnx'
model = SimpleModel()
input_sample = torch.randn(1, 64)
model.to_onnx(filepath, input_sample, export_params=True)
```

You can also skip passing the input sample if the `example_input_array` property is specified in your LightningModule.

Once you have the exported model, you can run it on your ONNX runtime in the following way:

```
ort_session = onnxruntime.InferenceSession(filepath)
input_name = ort_session.get_inputs()[0].name
ort_inputs = {input_name: np.random.randn(1, 64).astype(np.float32)}
ort_outs = ort_session.run(None, ort_inputs)
```

### 44.2 Exporting to TorchScript

TorchScript allows you to serialize your models in a way that it can be loaded in non-Python environments. The LightningModule has a handy method `to_torchscript()` that returns a scripted module which you can save or directly use.

```
model = SimpleModel()
script = model.to_torchscript()

# save for use in production environment
torch.jit.save(script, "model.pt")
```

It is recommended that you install the latest supported version of PyTorch to use this feature without limitations.



## CONVERSATIONAL AI

These are amazing ecosystems to help with Automatic Speech Recognition (ASR), Natural Language Processing (NLP), and Text to speech (TTS).

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### 45.1 NeMo

**NVIDIA NeMo** is a toolkit for building new State-of-the-Art Conversational AI models. NeMo has separate collections for Automatic Speech Recognition (ASR), Natural Language Processing (NLP), and Text-to-Speech (TTS) models. Each collection consists of prebuilt modules that include everything needed to train on your data. Every module can easily be customized, extended, and composed to create new Conversational AI model architectures.

Conversational AI architectures are typically very large and require a lot of data and compute for training. NeMo uses PyTorch Lightning for easy and performant multi-GPU/multi-node mixed-precision training.

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**Note:** Every NeMo model is a LightningModule that comes equipped with all supporting infrastructure for training and reproducibility.

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#### 45.1.1 NeMo Models

NeMo Models contain everything needed to train and reproduce state of the art Conversational AI research and applications, including:

- neural network architectures
- datasets/data loaders
- data preprocessing/postprocessing
- data augmentors
- optimizers and schedulers
- tokenizers
- language models

NeMo uses [Hydra](#) for configuring both NeMo models and the PyTorch Lightning Trainer. Depending on the domain and application, many different AI libraries will have to be configured to build the application. Hydra makes it easy to bring all of these libraries together so that each can be configured from `.yaml` or the Hydra CLI.

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**Note:** Every NeMo model has an example configuration file and a corresponding script that contains all configurations needed for training.

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The end result of using NeMo, Pytorch Lightning, and Hydra is that NeMo models all have the same look and feel. This makes it easy to do Conversational AI research across multiple domains. NeMo models are also fully compatible with the PyTorch ecosystem.

### Installing NeMo

Before installing NeMo, please install Cython first.

```
pip install Cython
```

For ASR and TTS models, also install these linux utilities.

```
apt-get update && apt-get install -y libsndfile1 ffmpeg
```

Then installing the latest NeMo release is a simple pip install.

```
pip install nemo_toolkit[all]==1.0.0b1
```

To install the main branch from GitHub:

```
python -m pip install git+https://github.com/NVIDIA/NeMo.git@main#egg=nemo_
↳ toolkit[all]
```

To install from a local clone of NeMo:

```
./reinstall.sh # from cloned NeMo's git root
```

For Docker users, the NeMo container is available on [NGC](#).

```
docker pull nvcr.io/nvidia/nemo:v1.0.0b1
```

```
docker run --runtime=nvidia -it --rm -v --shm-size=8g -p 8888:8888 -p 6006:6006 --
↳ ulimit memlock=-1 --ulimit stack=67108864 nvcr.io/nvidia/nemo:v1.0.0b1
```

### Experiment Manager

NeMo's Experiment Manager leverages PyTorch Lightning for model checkpointing, TensorBoard Logging, and Weights and Biases logging. The Experiment Manager is included by default in all NeMo example scripts.

```
exp_manager(trainer, cfg.get("exp_manager", None))
```

And is configurable via `.yaml` with Hydra.

```
exp_manager:
  exp_dir: null
  name: *name
  create_tensorboard_logger: True
  create_checkpoint_callback: True
```

Optionally launch Tensorboard to view training results in `./nemo_experiments` (by default).

```
tensorboard --bind_all --logdir nemo_experiments
```

### 45.1.2 Automatic Speech Recognition (ASR)

Everything needed to train Convolutional ASR models is included with NeMo. NeMo supports multiple Speech Recognition architectures, including Jasper and QuartzNet. [NeMo Speech Models](#) can be trained from scratch on custom datasets or fine-tuned using pre-trained checkpoints trained on thousands of hours of audio that can be restored for immediate use.

Some typical ASR tasks are included with NeMo:

- [Audio transcription](#)
- [Byte Pair/Word Piece Training](#)
- [Speech Commands](#)
- [Voice Activity Detection](#)
- [Speaker Recognition](#)

See this [asr notebook](#) for a full tutorial on doing ASR with NeMo, PyTorch Lightning, and Hydra.

#### Specify ASR Model Configurations with YAML File

NeMo Models and the PyTorch Lightning Trainer can be fully configured from `.yaml` files using Hydra.

See this [asr config](#) for the entire speech to text `.yaml` file.

```
# configure the PyTorch Lightning Trainer
trainer:
  gpus: 0 # number of gpus
  max_epochs: 5
  max_steps: null # computed at runtime if not set
  num_nodes: 1
  distributed_backend: ddp
  ...
# configure the ASR model
model:
  ...
  encoder:
    cls: nemo.collections.asr.modules.ConvASREncoder
    params:
      feat_in: *n_mels
      activation: relu
      conv_mask: true
```

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```
jasper:
- filters: 128
repeat: 1
kernel: [11]
stride: [1]
dilation: [1]
dropout: *dropout
...
# all other configuration, data, optimizer, preprocessor, etc
...
```

## Developing ASR Model From Scratch

speech\_to\_text.py

```
# hydra_runner calls hydra.main and is useful for multi-node experiments
@hydra_runner(config_path="conf", config_name="config")
def main(cfg):
    trainer = Trainer(**cfg.trainer)
    asr_model = EncDecCTCModel(cfg.model, trainer)
    trainer.fit(asr_model)
```

Hydra makes every aspect of the NeMo model, including the PyTorch Lightning Trainer, customizable from the command line.

```
python NeMo/examples/asr/speech_to_text.py --config-name=quartznet_15x5 \
    trainer.gpus=4 \
    trainer.max_epochs=128 \
    +trainer.precision=16 \
    model.train_ds.manifest_filepath=<PATH_TO_DATA>/librispeech-train-all.json \
    model.validation_ds.manifest_filepath=<PATH_TO_DATA>/librispeech-dev-other.json \
    model.train_ds.batch_size=64 \
    +model.validation_ds.num_workers=16 \
    +model.train_ds.num_workers=16
```

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**Note:** Training NeMo ASR models can take days/weeks so it is highly recommended to use multiple GPUs and multiple nodes with the PyTorch Lightning Trainer.

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## Using State-Of-The-Art Pre-trained ASR Model

Transcribe audio with QuartzNet model pretrained on ~3300 hours of audio.

```
quartznet = EncDecCTCModel.from_pretrained('QuartzNet15x5Base-En')

files = ['path/to/my.wav'] # file duration should be less than 25 seconds

for fname, transcription in zip(files, quartznet.transcribe(paths2audio_files=files)):
    print(f"Audio in {fname} was recognized as: {transcription}")
```

To see the available pretrained checkpoints:



```
EncDecCTCModel.list_available_models()
```

## NeMo ASR Model Under the Hood

Any aspect of ASR training or model architecture design can easily be customized with PyTorch Lightning since every NeMo model is a Lightning Module.

```
class EncDecCTCModel(ASRModel):
    """Base class for encoder decoder CTC-based models."""
    ...
    @typecheck()
    def forward(self, input_signal, input_signal_length):
        processed_signal, processed_signal_len = self.preprocessor(
            input_signal=input_signal, length=input_signal_length,
        )
        # Spec augment is not applied during evaluation/testing
        if self.spec_augmentation is not None and self.training:
            processed_signal = self.spec_augmentation(input_spec=processed_signal)
        encoded, encoded_len = self.encoder(audio_signal=processed_signal,
        ↪length=processed_signal_len)
        log_probs = self.decoder(encoder_output=encoded)
        greedy_predictions = log_probs.argmax(dim=-1, keepdim=False)
        return log_probs, encoded_len, greedy_predictions

    # PTL-specific methods
    def training_step(self, batch, batch_nb):
        audio_signal, audio_signal_len, transcript, transcript_len = batch
        log_probs, encoded_len, predictions = self.forward(
            input_signal=audio_signal, input_signal_length=audio_signal_len
        )
        loss_value = self.loss(
            log_probs=log_probs, targets=transcript, input_lengths=encoded_len,
        ↪target_lengths=transcript_len
        )
        wer_num, wer_denom = self._wer(predictions, transcript, transcript_len)
        self.log_dict({
            'train_loss': loss_value,
            'training_batch_wer': wer_num / wer_denom,
            'learning_rate': self._optimizer.param_groups[0]['lr'],
        })
        return loss_value
```

## Neural Types in NeMo ASR

NeMo Models and Neural Modules come with Neural Type checking. Neural type checking is extremely useful when combining many different neural network architectures for a production-grade application.

```
@property
def input_types(self) -> Optional[Dict[str, NeuralType]]:
    if hasattr(self.preprocessor, '_sample_rate'):
        audio_eltype = AudioSignal(freq=self.preprocessor._sample_rate)
    else:
        audio_eltype = AudioSignal()
    return {
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```

        "input_signal": NeuralType(('B', 'T'), audio_eltype),
        "input_signal_length": NeuralType(tuple('B'), LengthsType()),
    }

@property
def output_types(self) -> Optional[Dict[str, NeuralType]]:
    return {
        "outputs": NeuralType(('B', 'T', 'D'), LogprobsType()),
        "encoded_lengths": NeuralType(tuple('B'), LengthsType()),
        "greedy_predictions": NeuralType(('B', 'T'), LabelsType()),
    }

```

### 45.1.3 Natural Language Processing (NLP)

Everything needed to finetune BERT-like language models for NLP tasks is included with NeMo. [NeMo NLP Models](#) include [HuggingFace Transformers](#) and [NVIDIA Megatron-LM](#) BERT and Bio-Megatron models. NeMo can also be used for pretraining BERT-based language models from HuggingFace.

Any of the HuggingFace encoders or Megatron-LM encoders can easily be used for the NLP tasks that are included with NeMo:

- [Glue Benchmark \(All tasks\)](#)
- [Intent Slot Classification](#)
- [Language Modeling \(BERT Pretraining\)](#)
- [Question Answering](#)
- [Text Classification \(including Sentiment Analysis\)](#)
- [Token Classification \(including Named Entity Recognition\)](#)
- [Punctuation and Capitalization](#)

#### Named Entity Recognition (NER)

NER (or more generally token classification) is the NLP task of detecting and classifying key information (entities) in text. This task is very popular in Healthcare and Finance. In finance, for example, it can be important to identify geographical, geopolitical, organizational, persons, events, and natural phenomenon entities. See this [NER notebook](#) for a full tutorial on doing NER with NeMo, PyTorch Lightning, and Hydra.

#### Specify NER Model Configurations with YAML File

**Note:** NeMo Models and the PyTorch Lightning Trainer can be fully configured from .yaml files using Hydra.

See this [token classification config](#) for the entire NER (token classification) .yaml file.

```

# configure any argument of the PyTorch Lightning Trainer
trainer:
    gpus: 1 # the number of gpus, 0 for CPU

```

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```

num_nodes: 1
max_epochs: 5
...
# configure any aspect of the token classification model here
model:
    dataset:
        data_dir: ??? # /path/to/data
        class_balancing: null # choose from [null, weighted_loss]. Weighted_loss_
        ↳ enables the weighted class balancing of the loss, may be used for handling_
        ↳ unbalanced classes
        max_seq_length: 128
        ...
    tokenizer:
        tokenizer_name: ${model.language_model.pretrained_model_name} # or sentencepiece
        vocab_file: null # path to vocab file
        ...
# the language model can be from HuggingFace or Megatron-LM
language_model:
    pretrained_model_name: bert-base-uncased
    lm_checkpoint: null
    ...
# the classifier for the downstream task
head:
    num_fc_layers: 2
    fc_dropout: 0.5
    activation: 'relu'
    ...
# all other configuration: train/val/test/ data, optimizer, experiment manager, etc
...

```

## Developing NER Model From Scratch

token\_classification.py

```

# hydra_runner calls hydra.main and is useful for multi-node experiments
@hydra_runner(config_path="conf", config_name="token_classification_config")
def main(cfg: DictConfig) -> None:
    trainer = pl.Trainer(**cfg.trainer)
    model = TokenClassificationModel(cfg.model, trainer=trainer)
    trainer.fit(model)

```

After training, we can do inference with the saved NER model using PyTorch Lightning.

Inference from file:

```

gpu = 1 if cfg.trainer.gpus != 0 else 0
trainer = pl.Trainer(gpus=gpu)
model.set_trainer(trainer)
model.evaluate_from_file(
    text_file=os.path.join(cfg.model.dataset.data_dir, cfg.model.validation_ds.text_
    ↳ file),
    labels_file=os.path.join(cfg.model.dataset.data_dir, cfg.model.validation_ds.
    ↳ labels_file),
    output_dir=exp_dir,
    add_confusion_matrix=True,

```

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```
normalize_confusion_matrix=True,  
)
```

Or we can run inference on a few examples:

```
queries = ['we bought four shirts from the nvidia gear store in santa clara.',  
↪ 'Nvidia is a company in Santa Clara.']  
results = model.add_predictions(queries)  
  
for query, result in zip(queries, results):  
    logging.info(f'Query : {query}')    logging.info(f'Result: {result.strip()} \n')
```

Hydra makes every aspect of the NeMo model, including the PyTorch Lightning Trainer, customizable from the command line.

```
python token_classification.py \  
    model.language_model.pretrained_model_name=bert-base-cased \  
    model.head.num_fc_layers=2 \  
    model.dataset.data_dir=/path/to/my/data \  
    trainer.max_epochs=5 \  
    trainer.gpus=[0,1]
```

---

## Tokenizers

Tokenization is the process of converting natural language text into integer arrays which can be used for machine learning. For NLP tasks, tokenization is an essential part of data preprocessing. NeMo supports all BERT-like model tokenizers from [HuggingFace's AutoTokenizer](#) and also supports [Google's SentencePieceTokenizer](#) which can be trained on custom data.

To see the list of supported tokenizers:

```
from nemo.collections import nlp as nemo_nlp  
  
nemo_nlp.modules.get_tokenizer_list()
```

See this [tokenizer notebook](#) for a full tutorial on using tokenizers in NeMo.

## Language Models

Language models are used to extract information from (tokenized) text. Much of the state-of-the-art in natural language processing is achieved by fine-tuning pretrained language models on the downstream task.

With NeMo, you can either [pretrain](#) a BERT model on your data or use a pretrained language model from [HuggingFace Transformers](#) or [NVIDIA Megatron-LM](#).

To see the list of language models available in NeMo:

```
nemo_nlp.modules.get_pretrained_lm_models_list(include_external=True)
```

Easily switch between any language model in the above list by using `.get_lm_model`.

```
nemo_nlp.modules.get_lm_model(pretrained_model_name='distilbert-base-uncased')
```

See this [language model notebook](#) for a full tutorial on using pretrained language models in NeMo.

## Using a Pre-trained NER Model

NeMo has pre-trained NER models that can be used to get started with Token Classification right away. Models are automatically downloaded from NGC, cached locally to disk, and loaded into GPU memory using the `from_pretrained` method.

```
# load pre-trained NER model
pretrained_ner_model = TokenClassificationModel.from_pretrained(model_name="NERModel")

# define the list of queries for inference
queries = [
    'we bought four shirts from the nvidia gear store in santa clara.',
    'Nvidia is a company.',
    'The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain is an 1876 novel about a young boy_
↳growing '
    + 'up along the Mississippi River.',
]
results = pretrained_ner_model.add_predictions(queries)

for query, result in zip(queries, results):
    print()
    print(f'Query : {query}')
    print(f'Result: {result.strip()}\n')
```

## NeMo NER Model Under the Hood

Any aspect of NLP training or model architecture design can easily be customized with PyTorch Lightning since every NeMo model is a Lightning Module.

```
class TokenClassificationModel(ModelPT):
    """
    Token Classification Model with BERT, applicable for tasks such as Named Entity_
↳Recognition
    """
    ...
    @typecheck()
    def forward(self, input_ids, token_type_ids, attention_mask):
        hidden_states = self.bert_model(
            input_ids=input_ids, token_type_ids=token_type_ids, attention_
↳mask=attention_mask
        )
        logits = self.classifier(hidden_states=hidden_states)
        return logits

    # PTL-specific methods
    def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
        """
        Lightning calls this inside the training loop with the data from the training_
↳dataloader
        passed in as `batch`.
        """
```

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```
        """
        input_ids, input_type_ids, input_mask, subtokens_mask, loss_mask, labels = _
↪batch
        logits = self(input_ids=input_ids, token_type_ids=input_type_ids, attention_
↪mask=input_mask)

        loss = self.loss(logits=logits, labels=labels, loss_mask=loss_mask)
        self.log_dict({'train_loss': loss, 'lr': self._optimizer.param_groups[0]['lr
↪']})
        return loss
    ...
```

## Neural Types in NeMo NLP

NeMo Models and Neural Modules come with Neural Type checking. Neural type checking is extremely useful when combining many different neural network architectures for a production-grade application.

```
@property
def input_types(self) -> Optional[Dict[str, NeuralType]]:
    return self.bert_model.input_types

@property
def output_types(self) -> Optional[Dict[str, NeuralType]]:
    return self.classifier.output_types
```

---

### 45.1.4 Text-To-Speech (TTS)

Everything needed to train TTS models and generate audio is included with NeMo. [NeMo TTS Models](#) can be trained from scratch on your own data or pretrained models can be downloaded automatically. NeMo currently supports a two step inference procedure. First, a model is used to generate a mel spectrogram from text. Second, a model is used to generate audio from a mel spectrogram.

Mel Spectrogram Generators:

- [Tacotron 2](#)
- [Glow-TTS](#)

Audio Generators:

- [Griffin-Lim](#)
- [WaveGlow](#)
- [SqueezeWave](#)

## Specify TTS Model Configurations with YAML File

**Note:** NeMo Models and PyTorch Lightning Trainer can be fully configured from .yaml files using Hydra.

tts/conf/glow\_tts.yaml

```
# configure the PyTorch Lightning Trainer
trainer:
  gpus: -1 # number of gpus
  max_epochs: 350
  num_nodes: 1
  distributed_backend: ddp
  ...

# configure the TTS model
model:
  ...
  encoder:
    cls: nemo.collections.tts.modules.glow_tts.TextEncoder
    params:
      n_vocab: 148
      out_channels: *n_mels
      hidden_channels: 192
      filter_channels: 768
      filter_channels_dp: 256
      ...
# all other configuration, data, optimizer, parser, preprocessor, etc
...
```

## Developing TTS Model From Scratch

tts/glow\_tts.py

```
# hydra_runner calls hydra.main and is useful for multi-node experiments
@hydra_runner(config_path="conf", config_name="glow_tts")
def main(cfg):
    trainer = pl.Trainer(**cfg.trainer)
    model = GlowTTSModel(cfg=cfg.model, trainer=trainer)
    trainer.fit(model)
```

Hydra makes every aspect of the NeMo model, including the PyTorch Lightning Trainer, customizable from the command line.

```
python NeMo/examples/tts/glow_tts.py \
  trainer.gpus=4 \
  trainer.max_epochs=400 \
  ...
  train_dataset=/path/to/train/data \
  validation_datasets=/path/to/val/data \
  model.train_ds.batch_size = 64 \
```

**Note:** Training NeMo TTS models from scratch can take days or weeks so it is highly recommended to use multiple GPUs and multiple nodes with the PyTorch Lightning Trainer.

## Using State-Of-The-Art Pre-trained TTS Model

Generate speech using models trained on *LJSpeech* <<https://keithito.com/LJ-Speech-Dataset/>>, around 24 hours of single speaker data.

See this [TTS notebook](#) for a full tutorial on generating speech with NeMo, PyTorch Lightning, and Hydra.

```
# load pretrained spectrogram model
spec_gen = SpecModel.from_pretrained('GlowTTS-22050Hz').cuda()

# load pretrained Generators
vocoder = WaveGlowModel.from_pretrained('WaveGlow-22050Hz').cuda()

def infer(spec_gen_model, vocoder_model, str_input):
    with torch.no_grad():
        parsed = spec_gen.parse(text_to_generate)
        spectrogram = spec_gen.generate_spectrogram(tokens=parsed)
        audio = vocoder.convert_spectrogram_to_audio(spec=spectrogram)
        if isinstance(spectrogram, torch.Tensor):
            spectrogram = spectrogram.to('cpu').numpy()
        if len(spectrogram.shape) == 3:
            spectrogram = spectrogram[0]
        if isinstance(audio, torch.Tensor):
            audio = audio.to('cpu').numpy()
        return spectrogram, audio

text_to_generate = input("Input what you want the model to say: ")
spec, audio = infer(spec_gen, vocoder, text_to_generate)
```

To see the available pretrained checkpoints:

```
# spec generator
GlowTTSModel.list_available_models()

# vocoder
WaveGlowModel.list_available_models()
```

## NeMo TTS Model Under the Hood

Any aspect of TTS training or model architecture design can easily be customized with PyTorch Lightning since every NeMo model is a LightningModule.

glow\_tts.py

```
class GlowTTSModel(SpectrogramGenerator):
    """
    GlowTTS model used to generate spectrograms from text
    Consists of a text encoder and an invertible spectrogram decoder
    """
    ...
    # NeMo models come with neural type checking
    @typecheck(
        input_types={
            "x": NeuralType(('B', 'T'), TokenIndex()),
            "x_lengths": NeuralType(('B'), LengthsType()),
            "y": NeuralType(('B', 'D', 'T'), MelSpectrogramType(), optional=True),
            "y_lengths": NeuralType(('B'), LengthsType(), optional=True),
```

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```

        "gen": NeuralType(optional=True),
        "noise_scale": NeuralType(optional=True),
        "length_scale": NeuralType(optional=True),
    }
)
def forward(self, *, x, x_lengths, y=None, y_lengths=None, gen=False, noise_
↪scale=0.3, length_scale=1.0):
    if gen:
        return self.glow_tts.generate_spect(
            text=x, text_lengths=x_lengths, noise_scale=noise_scale, length_
↪scale=length_scale
        )
    else:
        return self.glow_tts(text=x, text_lengths=x_lengths, spect=y, spect_
↪lengths=y_lengths)
    ...
def step(self, y, y_lengths, x, x_lengths):
    z, y_m, y_logs, logdet, logw, logw_, y_lengths, attn = self(
        x=x, x_lengths=x_lengths, y=y, y_lengths=y_lengths, gen=False
    )

    l_mle, l_length, logdet = self.loss(
        z=z,
        y_m=y_m,
        y_logs=y_logs,
        logdet=logdet,
        logw=logw,
        logw_=logw_,
        x_lengths=x_lengths,
        y_lengths=y_lengths,
    )

    loss = sum([l_mle, l_length])

    return l_mle, l_length, logdet, loss, attn

# PTL-specific methods
def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    y, y_lengths, x, x_lengths = batch

    y, y_lengths = self.preprocessor(input_signal=y, length=y_lengths)

    l_mle, l_length, logdet, loss, _ = self.step(y, y_lengths, x, x_lengths)

    self.log_dict({"l_mle": l_mle, "l_length": l_length, "logdet": logdet}, prog_
↪bar=True)
    return loss
    ...

```

## Neural Types in NeMo TTS

NeMo Models and Neural Modules come with Neural Type checking. Neural type checking is extremely useful when combining many different neural network architectures for a production-grade application.

```
@typecheck(
    input_types={
        "x": NeuralType(('B', 'T'), TokenIndex()),
        "x_lengths": NeuralType(('B'), LengthsType()),
        "y": NeuralType(('B', 'D', 'T'), MelSpectrogramType(), optional=True),
        "y_lengths": NeuralType(('B'), LengthsType(), optional=True),
        "gen": NeuralType(optional=True),
        "noise_scale": NeuralType(optional=True),
        "length_scale": NeuralType(optional=True),
    }
)
def forward(self, *, x, x_lengths, y=None, y_lengths=None, gen=False, noise_scale=0.3,
    ↪ length_scale=1.0):
    ...
```

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### 45.1.5 Learn More

- Watch the [NVIDIA NeMo Intro Video](#)
- Watch the [PyTorch Lightning and NVIDIA NeMo Discussion Video](#)
- Visit the [NVIDIA NeMo Developer Website](#)
- Read the [NVIDIA NeMo PyTorch Blog](#)
- Download pre-trained [ASR](#), [NLP](#), and [TTS](#) models on [NVIDIA NGC](#) to quickly get started with NeMo.
- Become an expert on Building Conversational AI applications with our [tutorials](#), and [example scripts](#),
- See our [developer guide](#) for more information on core NeMo concepts, ASR/NLP/TTS collections, and the NeMo API.

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**Note:** NeMo tutorial notebooks can be run on [Google Colab](#).

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NVIDIA [NeMo](#) is actively being developed on GitHub. [Contributions](#) are welcome!

## CONTRIBUTOR COVENANT CODE OF CONDUCT

### 46.1 Our Pledge

In the interest of fostering an open and welcoming environment, we as contributors and maintainers pledge to making participation in our project and our community a harassment-free experience for everyone, regardless of age, body size, disability, ethnicity, sex characteristics, gender identity and expression, level of experience, education, socio-economic status, nationality, personal appearance, race, religion, or sexual identity and orientation.

### 46.2 Our Standards

Examples of behavior that contributes to creating a positive environment include:

- Using welcoming and inclusive language
- Being respectful of differing viewpoints and experiences
- Gracefully accepting constructive criticism
- Focusing on what is best for the community
- Showing empathy towards other community members

Examples of unacceptable behavior by participants include:

- The use of sexualized language or imagery and unwelcome sexual attention or advances
- Trolling, insulting/derogatory comments, and personal or political attacks
- Public or private harassment
- Publishing others' private information, such as a physical or electronic address, without explicit permission
- Other conduct which could reasonably be considered inappropriate in a professional setting

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Project maintainers are responsible for clarifying the standards of acceptable behavior and are expected to take appropriate and fair corrective action in response to any instances of unacceptable behavior.

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## 46.4 Scope

This Code of Conduct applies both within project spaces and in public spaces when an individual is representing the project or its community. Examples of representing a project or community include using an official project e-mail address, posting via an official social media account, or acting as an appointed representative at an online or offline event. Representation of a project may be further defined and clarified by project maintainers.

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## 46.6 Attribution

This Code of Conduct is adapted from the [Contributor Covenant](https://www.contributor-covenant.org/version/1/4/code-of-conduct.html), version 1.4, available at <https://www.contributor-covenant.org/version/1/4/code-of-conduct.html>

For answers to common questions about this code of conduct, see <https://www.contributor-covenant.org/faq>

## CONTRIBUTING

Welcome to the PyTorch Lightning community! We're building the most advanced research platform on the planet to implement the latest, best practices that the amazing PyTorch team rolls out!

### 47.1 Main Core Value: One less thing to remember

Simplify the API as much as possible from the user perspective. Any additions or improvements should minimize the things the user needs to remember.

For example: One benefit of the `validation_step` is that the user doesn't have to remember to set the model to `.eval()`. This helps users avoid all sorts of subtle errors.

### 47.2 Lightning Design Principles

We encourage all sorts of contributions you're interested in adding! When coding for lightning, please follow these principles.

#### 47.2.1 No PyTorch Interference

We don't want to add any abstractions on top of pure PyTorch. This gives researchers all the control they need without having to learn yet another framework.

#### 47.2.2 Simple Internal Code

It's useful for users to look at the code and understand very quickly what's happening. Many users won't be engineers. Thus we need to value clear, simple code over condensed ninja moves. While that's super cool, this isn't the project for that :)

### 47.2.3 Force User Decisions To Best Practices

There are 1,000 ways to do something. However, eventually one popular solution becomes standard practice, and everyone follows. We try to find the best way to solve a particular problem, and then force our users to use it for readability and simplicity. A good example is accumulated gradients. There are many different ways to implement it, we just pick one and force users to use it. A bad forced decision would be to make users use a specific library to do something.

When something becomes a best practice, we add it to the framework. This is usually something like bits of code in utils or in the model file that everyone keeps adding over and over again across projects. When this happens, bring that code inside the trainer and add a flag for it.

### 47.2.4 Simple External API

What makes sense to you may not make sense to others. When creating an issue with an API change suggestion, please validate that it makes sense for others. Treat code changes the way you treat a startup: validate that it's a needed feature, then add if it makes sense for many people.

### 47.2.5 Backward-compatible API

We all hate updating our deep learning packages because we don't want to refactor a bunch of stuff. In Lightning, we make sure every change we make which could break an API is backward compatible with good deprecation warnings.

**You shouldn't be afraid to upgrade Lightning :)**

### 47.2.6 Gain User Trust

As a researcher, you can't have any part of your code going wrong. So, make thorough tests to ensure that every implementation of a new trick or subtle change is correct.

### 47.2.7 Interoperability

Have a favorite feature from other libraries like fast.ai or transformers? Those should just work with lightning as well. Grab your favorite model or learning rate scheduler from your favorite library and run it in Lightning.

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## 47.3 Contribution Types

We are always looking for help implementing new features or fixing bugs.

A lot of good work has already been done in project mechanics (requirements.txt, setup.py, pep8, badges, ci, etc...) so we're in a good state there thanks to all the early contributors (even pre-beta release)!

### 47.3.1 Bug Fixes:

1. If you find a bug please submit a github issue.
  - Make sure the title explains the issue.
  - Describe your setup, what you are trying to do, expected vs. actual behaviour. Please add configs and code samples.
  - Add details on how to reproduce the issue - a minimal test case is always best, colab is also great. Note, that the sample code shall be minimal and if needed with publicly available data.
2. Try to fix it or recommend a solution. We highly recommend to use test-driven approach:
  - Convert your minimal code example to a unit/integration test with assert on expected results.
  - Start by debugging the issue... You can run just this particular test in your IDE and draft a fix.
  - Verify that your test case fails on the master branch and only passes with the fix applied.
3. Submit a PR!

*Note, even if you do not find the solution, sending a PR with a test covering the issue is a valid contribution and we can help you or finish it with you :]*

### 47.3.2 New Features:

1. Submit a github issue - describe what is the motivation of such feature (adding the use case or an example is helpful).
2. Let's discuss to determine the feature scope.
3. Submit a PR! We recommend test driven approach to adding new features as well:
  - Write a test for the functionality you want to add.
  - Write the functional code until the test passes.
4. Add/update the relevant tests!
  - [This PR](#) is a good example for adding a new metric, and [this one](#) for a new logger.

### 47.3.3 Test cases:

Want to keep Lightning healthy? Love seeing those green tests? So do we! How to we keep it that way? We write tests! We value tests contribution even more than new features.

Most of the tests in PyTorch Lightning train a trial MNIST model under various trainer conditions (ddp, ddp2+amp, etc...). The tests expect the model to perform to a reasonable degree of testing accuracy to pass. Want to add a new test case and not sure how? [Talk to us!](#)

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## 47.4 Guidelines

### 47.4.1 Developments scripts

To build the documentation locally, simply execute the following commands from project root (only for Unix):

- `make clean` cleans repo from temp/generated files
- `make docs` builds documentation under `docs/build/html`
- `make test` runs all project's tests with coverage

### 47.4.2 Original code

All added or edited code shall be the own original work of the particular contributor. If you use some third-party implementation, all such blocks/functions/modules shall be properly referred and if possible also agreed by code's author. For example - This code is inspired from `http://...`. In case you adding new dependencies, make sure that they are compatible with the actual PyTorch Lightning license (ie. dependencies should be *at least* as permissive as the PyTorch Lightning license).

### 47.4.3 Coding Style

1. Use f-strings for output formation (except logging when we stay with lazy `logging.info("Hello %s!", name)`).
2. You can use `pre-commit` to make sure your code style is correct.

### 47.4.4 Documentation

We are using Sphinx with Napoleon extension. Moreover, we set Google style to follow with type convention.

- Napoleon formatting with Google style
- ReStructured Text (reST)
- Paragraph-level markup

See following short example of a sample function taking one position string and optional

```
from typing import Optional

def my_func(param_a: int, param_b: Optional[float] = None) -> str:
    """Sample function.

    Args:
        param_a: first parameter
        param_b: second parameter

    Return:
        sum of both numbers

    Example:
        Sample doctest example...
        >>> my_func(1, 2)
        3
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```

.. note:: If you want to add something.
"""
p = param_b if param_b else 0
return str(param_a + p)

```

When updating the docs make sure to build them first locally and visually inspect the html files (in the browser) for formatting errors. In certain cases, a missing blank line or a wrong indent can lead to a broken layout. Run these commands

```

pip install -r requirements/docs.txt
cd docs
make html

```

and open `docs/build/html/index.html` in your browser.

Notes:

- You need to have LaTeX installed for rendering math equations. You can for example install TeXLive by doing one of the following:
  - on Ubuntu (Linux) run `apt-get install texlive` or otherwise follow the instructions on the TeXLive website
  - use the [RTD docker image](#)
- with PL used class meta you need to use python 3.7 or higher

When you send a PR the continuous integration will run tests and build the docs. You can access a preview of the html pages in the *Artifacts* tab in CircleCI when you click on the task named *ci/circleci: Build-Docs* at the bottom of the PR page.

## 47.4.5 Testing

**Local:** Testing your work locally will help you speed up the process since it allows you to focus on particular (failing) test-cases. To setup a local development environment, install both local and test dependencies:

```

python -m pip install ".[dev, examples]"
python -m pip install pre-commit

```

You can run the full test-case in your terminal via this make script:

```

make test

```

Note: if your computer does not have multi-GPU nor TPU these tests are skipped.

**GitHub Actions:** For convenience, you can also use your own GHActions building which will be triggered with each commit. This is useful if you do not test against all required dependency versions.

**Docker:** Another option is utilize the [pytorch lightning cuda base docker image](#). You can then run:

```

python -m pytest pytorch_lightning tests pl_examples -v

```

You can also run a single test as follows:

```

python -m pytest -v tests/trainer/test_trainer_cli.py::test_default_args

```

### 47.4.6 Pull Request

We welcome any useful contribution! For your convenience here's a recommended workflow:

1. Think about what you want to do - fix a bug, repair docs, etc. If you want to implement a new feature or enhance an existing one, start by opening a GitHub issue to explain the feature and the motivation. Members from core-contributors will take a look (it might take some time - we are often overloaded with issues!) and discuss it. Once an agreement was reached - start coding.
2. Start your work locally (usually until you need our CI testing).
  - Create a branch and prepare your changes.
  - Tip: do not work with your master directly, it may become complicated when you need to rebase.
  - Tip: give your PR a good name! It will be useful later when you may work on multiple tasks/PRs.
3. Test your code!
  - It is always good practice to start coding by creating a test case, verifying it breaks with current behaviour, and passes with your new changes.
  - Make sure your new tests cover all different edge cases.
  - Make sure all exceptions are handled.
4. Create a "Draft PR" which is clearly marked, to let us know you don't need feedback yet.
5. When you feel ready for integrating your work, mark your PR "Ready for review".
  - Your code should be readable and follow the project's design principles.
  - Make sure all tests are passing.
  - Make sure you add a GitHub issue to your PR.
6. Use tags in PR name for following cases:
  - **[blocked by #]** if you work is depending on others changes.
  - **[wip]** when you start to re-edit your work, mark it so no one will accidentally merge it in meantime.

### 47.4.7 Question & Answer

#### How can I help/contribute?

All types of contributions are welcome - reporting bugs, fixing documentation, adding test cases, solving issues, and preparing bug fixes. To get started with code contributions, look for issues marked with the label [good first issue](#) or chose something close to your domain with the label [help wanted](#). Before coding, make sure that the issue description is clear and comment on the issue so that we can assign it to you (or simply self-assign if you can).

## Is there a recommendation for branch names?

We recommend you follow this convention `<type>/<issue-id>_<short-name>` where the types are: `bugfix`, `feature`, `docs`, or `tests` (but if you are using your own fork that's optional).

## How to rebase my PR?

We recommend creating a PR in a separate branch other than `master`, especially if you plan to submit several changes and do not want to wait until the first one is resolved (we can work on them in parallel).

First, make sure you have set `upstream` by running:

```
git remote add upstream https://github.com/PyTorchLightning/pytorch-lightning.git
```

You'll know its set up right if you run `git remote -v` and see something similar to this:

```
origin  https://github.com/{YOUR_USERNAME}/pytorch-lightning.git (fetch)
origin  https://github.com/{YOUR_USERNAME}/pytorch-lightning.git (push)
upstream      https://github.com/PyTorchLightning/pytorch-lightning.git (fetch)
upstream      https://github.com/PyTorchLightning/pytorch-lightning.git (push)
```

Checkout your feature branch and rebase it with upstream's master before pushing up your feature branch:

```
git fetch --all --prune
git rebase upstream/master
# follow git instructions to resolve conflicts
git push -f
```

## How to add new tests?

We are using `pytest` in Pytorch Lightning.

Here are tutorials:

- (recommended) [Visual Testing with pytest](#) from JetBrains on YouTube
- [Effective Python Testing With Pytest](#) article on realpython.com

Here is the process to create a new test

- 1. Optional: Follow tutorials !
- 1. Find a file in `tests/` which match what you want to test. If none, create one.
- 1. Use this template to get started !
- 1. Use `BoringModel` and `derivates` to test out your code.

```
# TEST SHOULD BE IN YOUR FILE: tests/.../...py
# TEST CODE TEMPLATE

# [OPTIONAL] pytest decorator
# @pytest.mark.skipif(not torch.cuda.is_available(), reason="test requires GPU machine
# →")
def test_explain_what_is_being_tested(tmpdir):
    """
    Test description about text reason to be
    """
```

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```

    # os.environ["PL_DEV_DEBUG"] = '1' # [OPTIONAL] When activated, you can use
    ↪ internal trainer.dev_debugger

    class ExtendedModel(BoringModel):
        ...

    model = ExtendedModel()

    # BoringModel is a functional model. You might want to set methods to None to
    ↪ test your behaviour
    # Example: model.training_step_end = None

    trainer = Trainer(
        default_root_dir=tmpdir, # will save everything within a tmpdir generated for
    ↪ this test
        ...
    )
    trainer.fit(model)
    trainer.test() # [OPTIONAL]

    # assert the behaviour is correct.
    assert ...

```

run our/your test with

```

python -m pytest tests/.../...py::test_explain_what_is_being_tested --verbose --
    ↪ capture=no

```

## How to fix PR with mixed base and target branches?

Sometimes you start your PR as a bug-fix but it turns out to be more of a feature (or the other way around). Do not panic, the solution is very straightforward and quite simple. All you need to do are these two steps in arbitrary order:

- Ask someone from Core to change the base/target branch to the correct one
- Rebase or cherry-pick your commits onto the correct base branch...

Let's show how to deal with the git... the sample case is moving a PR from master to release/1.2-dev assuming my branch name is my-branch and the last true master commit is ccc111 and your first commit is mmm222.

- **Cherry-picking way**

```

git checkout my-branch
# create a local backup of your branch
git checkout -b my-branch-backup
# reset your branch to the correct base
git reset release/1.2-dev --hard
# ACTION: this step is much easier to do with IDE
# so open one and cherry-pick your last commits from `my-branch-backup`
# resolve all eventual conflict as the new base may contain different code
# when all done, push back to the open PR
git push -f

```

- **Rebasing way**, see more about [rebase onto usage](#)

```
git checkout my-branch
# rebase your commits on the correct branch
git rebase --onto release/1.2-dev ccc111
# if there is no collision you shall see just success
# eventually you would need to resolve collision and in such case follow the
↪ instruction in terminal
# when all done, push back to the open PR
git push -f
```

### 47.4.8 Bonus Workflow Tip

If you don't want to remember all the commands above every time you want to push some code/setup a Lightning Dev environment on a new VM, you can set up bash aliases for some common commands. You can add these to one of your `~/.bashrc`, `~/.zshrc`, or `~/.bash_aliases` files.

NOTE: Once you edit one of these files, remember to source it or restart your shell. (ex. `source ~/.bashrc` if you added these to your `~/.bashrc` file).

```
plclone (){
    git clone https://github.com/{YOUR_USERNAME}/pytorch-lightning.git
    cd pytorch-lightning
    git remote add upstream https://github.com/PyTorchLightning/pytorch-lightning.git
    # This is just here to print out info about your remote upstream/origin
    git remote -v
}

plfetch (){
    git fetch --all --prune
    git checkout master
    git merge upstream/master
}

# Rebase your branch with upstream's master
# plrebase <your-branch-name>
plrebase (){
    git checkout $@
    git rebase master
}
```

Now, you can:

- clone your fork and set up upstream by running `plclone` from your terminal
- fetch upstream and update your local master branch with it by running `plfetch`
- rebase your feature branch (after running `plfetch`) by running `plrebase your-branch-name`



## HOW TO BECOME A CORE CONTRIBUTOR

Thanks for your interest in joining the Lightning team! We're a rapidly growing project which is poised to become the go-to framework for DL researchers! We're currently recruiting for a team of 5 core maintainers.

As a core maintainer you will have a strong say in the direction of the project. Big changes will require a majority of maintainers to agree.

### 48.1 Code of conduct

First and foremost, you'll be evaluated against [these core values](#). Any code we commit or feature we add needs to align with those core values.

### 48.2 The bar for joining the team

Lightning is being used to solve really hard problems at the top AI labs in the world. As such, the bar for adding team members is extremely high. Candidates must have solid engineering skills, have a good eye for user experience, and must be a power user of Lightning and PyTorch.

With that said, the Lightning team will be diverse and a reflection of an inclusive AI community. You don't have to be an engineer to contribute! Scientists with great usability intuition and PyTorch ninja skills are welcomed!

### 48.3 Responsibilities:

The responsibilities mainly revolve around 3 things.

#### 48.3.1 Github issues

- Here we want to help users have an amazing experience. These range from questions from new people getting into DL to questions from researchers about doing something esoteric with Lightning. Often, these issues require some sort of bug fix, document clarification or new functionality to be scoped out.
- To become a core member you must resolve at least 10 Github issues which align with the API design goals for Lightning. By the end of these 10 issues I should feel comfortable in the way you answer user questions. Pleasant/helpful tone.
- Can abstract from that issue or bug into functionality that might solve other related issues or makes the platform more flexible.

- Don't make users feel like they don't know what they're doing. We're here to help and to make everyone's experience delightful.

### 48.3.2 Pull requests

- Here we need to ensure the code that enters Lightning is high quality. For each PR we need to:
- Make sure code coverage does not decrease
- Documents are updated
- Code is elegant and simple
- Code is NOT overly engineered or hard to read
- Ask yourself, could a non-engineer understand what's happening here?
- Make sure new tests are written
- Is this NECESSARY for Lightning? There are some PRs which are just purely about adding engineering complexity which have no place in Lightning. Guidance
- Some other PRs are for people who are wanting to get involved and add something unnecessary. We do want their help though! So don't approve the PR, but direct them to a Github issue that they might be interested in helping with instead!
- To be considered for core contributor, please review 10 PRs and help the authors land it on master. Once you've finished the review, ping me for a sanity check. At the end of 10 PRs if your PR reviews are inline with expectations described above, then you can merge PRs on your own going forward, otherwise we'll do a few more until we're both comfortable :)

### 48.3.3 Project directions

There are some big decisions which the project must make. For these I expect core contributors to have something meaningful to add if it's their area of expertise.

### 48.3.4 Diversity

Lightning should reflect the broader community it serves. As such we should have scientists/researchers from different fields contributing!

The first 5 core contributors will fit this profile. Thus if you overlap strongly with experiences and expertise as someone else on the team, you might have to wait until the next set of contributors are added.

### 48.3.5 Summary: Requirements to apply

The goal is to be inline with expectations for solving issues by the last one so you can do them on your own. If not, I might ask you to solve a few more specific ones.

- Solve 10+ Github issues.
- Create 5+ meaningful PRs which solves some reported issue - bug,
- Perform 10+ PR reviews from other contributors.

If you want to be considered, ping me on [Slack](#).



## PYTORCH LIGHTNING GOVERNANCE | PERSONS OF INTEREST

### 49.1 Leads

- William Falcon ([williamFalcon](#)) (Lightning founder)
- Jirka Borovec ([Borda](#))
- Ethan Harris ([ethanwharris](#)) (Torchbearer founder)
- Justus Schock ([justusschock](#)) (Former Core Member PyTorch Ignite)
- Adrian Wälchli ([awaelchli](#))
- Thomas Chaton ([tchaton](#))
- Sean Narenthiran ([SeanNaren](#))
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- Jeremy Jordan ([jeremyjordan](#))
- Tullie Murrell ([tullie](#))
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- Jeff Ling ([jeffling](#))
- Teddy Koker ([teddykoker](#))
- Nate Raw ([nateraw](#))

## CHANGELOG

All notable changes to this project will be documented in this file.

The format is based on [Keep a Changelog](#).

### 50.1 [1.3.4] - 2021-06-01

#### 50.1.1 [1.3.4] - Fixed

- Fixed info message when max training time reached (#7780)
- Fixed missing `__len__` method to `IndexBatchSamplerWrapper` (#7681)

### 50.2 [1.3.3] - 2021-05-27

#### 50.2.1 [1.3.3] - Changed

- Changed calling of `untoggle_optimizer(opt_idx)` out of the closure function (#7563)

#### 50.2.2 [1.3.3] - Fixed

- Fixed `ProgressBar` pickling after calling `trainer.predict` (#7608)
- Fixed broadcasting in multi-node, multi-gpu DDP using torch 1.7 (#7592)
- Fixed dataloaders are not reset when tuning the model (#7566)
- Fixed print errors in `ProgressBar` when `trainer.fit` is not called (#7674)
- Fixed global step update when the epoch is skipped (#7677)
- Fixed training loop total batch counter when accumulate grad batches was enabled (#7692)

## 50.3 [1.3.2] - 2021-05-18

### 50.3.1 [1.3.2] - Changed

- `DataModules` now avoid duplicate `{setup,teardown,prepare_data}` calls for the same stage (#7238)

### 50.3.2 [1.3.2] - Fixed

- Fixed parsing of multiple training dataloaders (#7433)
- Fixed recursive passing of `wrong_type` keyword argument in `pytorch_lightning.utilities.apply_to_collection` (#7433)
- Fixed setting correct `DistribType` for `ddp_cpu (spawn)` backend (#7492)
- Fixed incorrect number of calls to LR scheduler when `check_val_every_n_epoch > 1` (#7032)

## 50.4 [1.3.1] - 2021-05-11

### 50.4.1 [1.3.1] - Fixed

- Fixed `DeepSpeed` with `IterableDatasets` (#7362)
- Fixed `Trainer.current_epoch` not getting restored after tuning (#7434)
- Fixed local rank displayed in console log (#7395)

## 50.5 [1.3.0] - 2021-05-06

### 50.5.1 [1.3.0] - Added

- Added support for the `EarlyStopping` callback to run at the end of the training epoch (#6944)
- Added synchronization points before and after `setup` hooks are run (#7202)
- Added a `teardown` hook to `ClusterEnvironment` (#6942)
- Added utils for metrics to scalar conversions (#7180)
- Added utils for NaN/Inf detection for gradients and parameters (#6834)
- Added more explicit exception message when trying to execute `trainer.test()` or `trainer.validate()` with `fast_dev_run=True` (#6667)
- Added `LightningCLI` class to provide simple reproducibility with minimum boilerplate training CLI (#4492, #6862, #7156, #7299)
- Added `gradient_clip_algorithm` argument to `Trainer` for gradient clipping by value (#6123).
- Added a way to print to terminal without breaking up the progress bar (#5470)
- Added support to checkpoint after training steps in `ModelCheckpoint` callback (#6146)
- Added `TrainerStatus.{INITIALIZING, RUNNING, FINISHED, INTERRUPTED}` (#7173)

- Added `Trainer.validate()` method to perform one evaluation epoch over the validation set (#4948)
- Added `LightningEnvironment` for Lightning-specific DDP (#5915)
- Added `teardown()` hook to `LightningDataModule` (#4673)
- Added `auto_insert_metric_name` parameter to `ModelCheckpoint` (#6277)
- Added `arg` to `self.log` that enables users to give custom names when dealing with multiple dataloaders (#6274)
- Added `teardown` method to `BaseProfiler` to enable subclasses defining post-profiling steps outside of `__del__` (#6370)
- Added `setup` method to `BaseProfiler` to enable subclasses defining pre-profiling steps for every process (#6633)
- Added no return warning to `predict` (#6139)
- Added `Trainer.predict` config validation (#6543)
- Added `AbstractProfiler` interface (#6621)
- Added support for including module names for forward in the autograd trace of `PyTorchProfiler` (#6349)
- Added support for the PyTorch 1.8.1 autograd profiler (#6618)
- Added `outputs` parameter to callback's `on_validation_epoch_end` & `on_test_epoch_end` hooks (#6120)
- Added `configure_sharded_model` hook (#6679)
- Added support for `precision=64`, enabling training with double precision (#6595)
- Added support for DDP communication hooks (#6736)
- Added `artifact_location` argument to `MLFlowLogger` which will be passed to the `MlflowClient.create_experiment` call (#6677)
- Added `model` parameter to precision plugins' `clip_gradients` signature ( #6764, #7231)
- Added `is_last_batch` attribute to `Trainer` (#6825)
- Added `LightningModule.lr_schedulers()` for manual optimization (#6567)
- Added `MpModelWrapper` in TPU Spawn (#7045)
- Added `max_time` `Trainer` argument to limit training time (#6823)
- Added `on_predict_{batch, epoch}_{start, end}` hooks (#7141)
- Added new `EarlyStopping` parameters `stopping_threshold` and `divergence_threshold` (#6868)
- Added debug flag to TPU Training Plugins (`PT_XLA_DEBUG`) (#7219)
- Added new `UnrepeatedDistributedSampler` and `IndexBatchSamplerWrapper` for tracking distributed predictions (#7215)
- Added `trainer.predict(return_predictions=None|False|True)` (#7215)
- Added `BasePredictionWriter` callback to implement prediction saving (#7127)
- Added `trainer.tune(scale_batch_size_kwargs, lr_find_kwargs)` arguments to configure the tuning algorithms (#7258)
- Added `tpu_distributed` check for TPU Spawn barrier (#7241)
- Added device updates to TPU Spawn for Pod training (#7243)

- Added warning when missing Callback and using `resume_from_checkpoint` (#7254)
- DeepSpeed single file saving (#6900)
- Added Training type Plugins Registry ( #6982, #7063, #7214, #7224 )
- Add `ignore_param` to `save_hyperparameters` (#6056)

### 50.5.2 [1.3.0] - Changed

- Changed `LightningModule.truncated_bptt_steps` to be property (#7323)
- Changed `EarlyStopping` callback from by default running `EarlyStopping.on_validation_end` if only training is run. Set `check_on_train_epoch_end` to run the callback at the end of the train epoch instead of at the end of the validation epoch (#7069)
- Renamed `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.swa` to `pytorch_lightning.callbacks.stochastic_weight_avg` (#6259)
- Refactor `RunningStage` and `TrainerState` usage ( #4945, #7173)
  - Added `RunningStage.SANITY_CHECKING`
  - Added `TrainerFn.{FITTING, VALIDATING, TESTING, PREDICTING, TUNING}`
  - Changed `trainer.evaluating` to return `True` if validating or testing
- Changed `setup()` and `teardown()` stage argument to take any of `{fit, validate, test, predict}` (#6386)
- Changed profilers to save separate report files per state and rank (#6621)
- The trainer no longer tries to save a checkpoint on exception or run callback's `on_train_end` functions (#6864)
- Changed `PyTorchProfiler` to use `torch.autograd.profiler.record_function` to record functions (#6349)
- Disabled `lr_scheduler.step()` in manual optimization (#6825)
- Changed warnings and recommendations for dataloaders in `ddp_spawn` (#6762)
- `pl.seed_everything` will now also set the seed on the `DistributedSampler` (#7024)
- Changed default setting for communication of multi-node training using `DDPShardedPlugin` (#6937)
- `trainer.tune()` now returns the tuning result (#7258)
- `LightningModule.from_datasets()` now accepts `IterableDataset` instances as training datasets. (#7503)
- Changed `resume_from_checkpoint` warning to an error when the checkpoint file does not exist (#7075)
- Automatically set `sync_batchnorm` for `training_type_plugin` (#6536)
- Allowed training type plugin to delay optimizer creation (#6331)
- Removed `ModelSummary` validation from train loop on `trainer_init` (#6610)
- Moved `save_function` to `accelerator` (#6689)
- Updated DeepSpeed ZeRO (#6546, #6752, #6142, #6321)
- Improved verbose logging for `EarlyStopping` callback (#6811)
- Run `ddp_spawn` dataloader checks on Windows (#6930)

- Updated mlflow with using `resolve_tags` (#6746)
- Moved `save_hyperparameters` to its own function (#7119)
- Replaced `_DataModuleWrapper` with `__new__` (#7289)
- Reset `current_fx` properties on lightning module in teardown (#7247)
- Auto-set `DataLoader.worker_init_fn` with `seed_everything` (#6960)
- Remove `model.trainer` call inside of dataloading mixin (#7317)
- Split profilers module (#6261)
- Ensure accelerator is valid if running interactively (#5970)
- Disabled batch transfer in DP mode (#6098)

### 50.5.3 [1.3.0] - Deprecated

- Deprecated outputs in both `LightningModule.on_train_epoch_end` and `Callback.on_train_epoch_end` hooks (#7339)
- Deprecated `Trainer.truncated_bptt_steps` in favor of `LightningModule.truncated_bptt_steps` (#7323)
- Deprecated outputs in both `LightningModule.on_train_epoch_end` and `Callback.on_train_epoch_end` hooks (#7339)
- Deprecated `LightningModule.grad_norm` in favor of `pytorch_lightning.utilities.grads.grad_norm` (#7292)
- Deprecated the `save_function` property from the `ModelCheckpoint` callback (#7201)
- Deprecated `LightningModule.write_predictions` and `LightningModule.write_predictions_dict` (#7066)
- Deprecated `TrainerLoggingMixin` in favor of a separate utilities module for metric handling (#7180)
- Deprecated `TrainerTrainingTricksMixin` in favor of a separate utilities module for NaN/Inf detection for gradients and parameters (#6834)
- `period` has been deprecated in favor of `every_n_val_epochs` in the `ModelCheckpoint` callback (#6146)
- Deprecated `trainer.running_sanity_check` in favor of `trainer.sanity_checking` (#4945)
- Deprecated `Profiler(output_filename)` in favor of `dirpath` and `filename` (#6621)
- Deprecated `PytorchProfiler(profiled_functions)` in favor of `record_functions` (#6349)
- Deprecated `@auto_move_data` in favor of `trainer.predict` (#6993)
- Deprecated `Callback.on_load_checkpoint(checkpoint)` in favor of `Callback.on_load_checkpoint(trainer, pl_module, checkpoint)` (#7253)
- Deprecated metrics in favor of `torchmetrics` (#6505, #6530, #6540, #6547, #6515, #6572, #6573, #6584, #6636, #6637, #6649, #6659, #7131,)
- Deprecated the `LightningModule.datamodule` getter and setter methods; access them through `Trainer.datamodule` instead (#7168)
- Deprecated the use of `Trainer(gpus="i")` (string) for selecting the *i*-th GPU; from v1.5 this will set the number of GPUs instead of the index (#6388)

### 50.5.4 [1.3.0] - Removed

- Removed the `exp_save_path` property from the `LightningModule` (#7266)
- Removed training loop explicitly calling `EarlyStopping.on_validation_end` if no validation is run (#7069)
- Removed `automatic_optimization` as a property from the training loop in favor of `LightningModule.automatic_optimization` (#7130)
- Removed evaluation loop legacy returns for `*_epoch_end` hooks (#6973)
- Removed support for passing a bool value to `profiler` argument of `Trainer` (#6164)
- Removed no return warning from val/test step (#6139)
- Removed passing a `ModelCheckpoint` instance to `Trainer(checkpoint_callback)` (#6166)
- Removed deprecated `Trainer` argument `enable_pl_optimizer` and `automatic_optimization` (#6163)
- Removed deprecated metrics (#6161)
  - from `pytorch_lightning.metrics.functional.classification` removed `to_onehot`, `to_categorical`, `get_num_classes`, `roc`, `multiclass_roc`, `average_precision`, `precision_recall_curve`, `multiclass_precision_recall_curve`
  - from `pytorch_lightning.metrics.functional.reduction` removed `reduce`, `class_reduce`
- Removed deprecated `ModelCheckpoint` arguments `prefix`, `mode="auto"` (#6162)
- Removed `mode='auto'` from `EarlyStopping` (#6167)
- Removed `epoch` and `step` arguments from `ModelCheckpoint.format_checkpoint_name()`, these are now included in the `metrics` argument (#7344)
- Removed legacy references for magic keys in the `Result` object (#6016)
- Removed deprecated `LightningModule` `hparams` setter (#6207)
- Removed legacy code to log or include metrics in the progress bar by returning them in a dict with the `"log"/"progress_bar"` magic keys. Use `self.log` instead (#6734)
- Removed `trainer.fit()` return value of 1. It has no return now (#7237)
- Removed `logger_connector` legacy code (#6733)
- Removed unused mixin attributes (#6487)

### 50.5.5 [1.3.0] - Fixed

- Fixed NaN errors in progress bars when training with iterable datasets with no length defined (#7306)
- Fixed attaching train and validation dataloaders when `reload_dataloaders_every_epoch=True` and `num_sanity_val_steps=0` (#7207)
- Added a barrier in the accelerator teardown to synchronize processes before execution finishes (#6814)
- Fixed multi-node DDP sub-process launch by using `local_rank` instead of `global_rank` for main process assertion (#7061)



- Fixed incorrect removal of `WORLD_SIZE` environment variable in DDP training when launching with `torch distributed/torchelastic` (#6942)
- Made the `Plugin.reduce` method more consistent across all Plugins to reflect a mean-reduction by default (#6011)
- Move lightning module to correct device type when using `LightningDistributedWrapper` (#6070)
- Do not print top-k verbose log with `ModelCheckpoint(monitor=None)` (#6109)
- Fixed `ModelCheckpoint(save_top_k=0, save_last=True)` not saving the last checkpoint (#6136)
- Fixed `.teardown(stage='fit')` and `.on_fit_{start,end}()` getting called during `trainer.test` (#6386)
- Fixed `LightningModule.all_gather` on cpu tensors (#6416)
- Fixed torch distributed not available in setup hook for DDP (#6506)
- Fixed `trainer.tuner.{lr_find,scale_batch_size}` not setting the Trainer state properly (#7258)
- Fixed bug where the learning rate schedulers did not follow the optimizer frequencies (#4868)
- Fixed pickle error checker to now check for `pickle.PickleError` to catch all pickle errors (#6917)
- Fixed a bug where the outputs object passed to `LightningModule.training_epoch_end` was different from the object passed to the `on_train_end_epoch` hook (#6969)
- Fixed a bug where the outputs passed to `train_batch_end` would be lists even when using a single optimizer and no truncated backprop through time steps (#6969)
- Fixed bug for trainer error handling which would cause hang for distributed training (#6864)
- Fixed `self.device` not returning the correct device in replicas of data-parallel (#6414)
- Fixed `lr_find` trying beyond `num_training` steps and suggesting a too high learning rate (#7076)
- Fixed logger creating incorrect version folder in DDP with repeated `Trainer.fit` calls (#7077)
- Fixed metric objects passed directly to `self.log` not being reset correctly (#7055)
- Fixed `CombinedLoader` in distributed settings for validation / testing (#7102)
- Fixed the `save_dir` in `WandbLogger` when the run was initiated externally (#7106)
- Fixed `num_sanity_val_steps` affecting reproducibility of training data shuffling (#7014)
- Fixed resetting device after fitting/evaluating/predicting (#7188)
- Fixed bug where `trainer.tuner.scale_batch_size(max_trials=0)` would not return the correct batch size result (#7262)
- Fixed metrics not being properly logged with `precision=16` and `manual_optimization` (#7228)
- Fixed `BaseFinetuning` properly reloading `optimizer_states` when using `resume_from_checkpoint` (#6891)
- Fixed `parameters_to_ignore` not properly set to `DDPWrapper` (#7239)
- Fixed parsing of `fast_dev_run=True` with the built-in `ArgumentParser` (#7240)
- Fixed handling an `IterableDataset` that fails to produce a batch at the beginning of an epoch (#7294)
- Fixed `LightningModule.save_hyperparameters()` when attempting to save an empty container (#7268)

- Fixed `apex` not properly instantiated when running with `ddp` (#7274)
- Fixed optimizer state not moved to GPU (#7277)
- Fixed custom init args for `WandbLogger` (#6989)
- Fixed a bug where an error would be raised if the train dataloader sometimes produced `None` for a batch (#7342)
- Fixed examples ( #6600, #6638, #7096, #7246, #6357, #6476, #6294, #6373, #6088, #7398 )
- Resolved schedule step bug for PyTorch Profiler (#6674, #6681)
- Updated logic for checking TPUs availability (#6767)
- Resolve TPU miss rendezvous (#6781)
- Fixed auto-scaling mode when calling `tune` method on trainer (#7321)
- Fixed finetuning complex models correctly unfreezes (#6880)
- Ensure we set the `eval/train` flag correctly on accelerator model (#6877)
- Set better defaults for `rank_zero_only.rank` when training is launched with SLURM and `torchelastic` (#6802)
- Fixed matching the number of outputs of backward with forward for `AllGatherGrad` (#6625)
- Fixed the `gradient_clip_algorithm` has no effect (#6928)
- Fixed CUDA OOM detection and handling (#6934)
- Fixed `unfreeze_and_add_param_group` expects modules rather than module (#6822)
- Fixed DPP + SyncBN when move on device (#6838)
- Fixed missing arguments in `lr_find` call (#6784)
- Fixed `set_default_tensor_type` to `torch.DoubleTensor` with `precision=64` (#7108)
- Fixed `NeptuneLogger.log_text(step=None)` (#7194)
- Fixed importing `torchtext` batch (#6365, #6323, #6211)

## 50.6 [1.2.9] - 2021-04-20

### 50.6.1 [1.2.9] - Fixed

- Fixed the order to call for world ranks & the `root_device` property in `TPUSpawnPlugin` (#7074)
- Fixed multi-gpu join for Horovod (#6954)
- Fixed parsing for pre-release package versions (#6999)

## 50.7 [1.2.8] - 2021-04-14

### 50.7.1 [1.2.8] - Added

- Added TPUSpawn + IterableDataset error message (#6875)

### 50.7.2 [1.2.8] - Fixed

- Fixed process rank not being available right away after `Trainer` instantiation (#6941)
- Fixed `sync_dist` for `tpus` (#6950)
- Fixed `AttributeError` for `require_backward_grad_sync` when running manual optimization with sharded plugin (#6915)
- Fixed `--gpus` default for parser returned by `Trainer.add_argparse_args` (#6898)
- Fixed TPU Spawn all gather (#6896)
- Fixed `EarlyStopping` logic when `min_epochs` or `min_steps` requirement is not met (#6705)
- Fixed csv extension check (#6436)
- Fixed checkpoint issue when using Horovod distributed backend (#6958)
- Fixed tensorboard exception raising (#6901)
- Fixed setting the eval/train flag correctly on accelerator model (#6983)
- Fixed DDP\_SPAWN compatibility with `bug_report_model.py` (#6892)
- Fixed bug where `BaseFinetuning.flatten_modules()` was duplicating leaf node parameters (#6879)
- Set better defaults for `rank_zero_only.rank` when training is launched with SLURM and torchelastic:
  - Support SLURM and torchelastic global rank environment variables (#5715)
  - Remove hardcoding of local rank in accelerator connector (#6878)

## 50.8 [1.2.7] - 2021-04-06

### 50.8.1 [1.2.7] - Fixed

- Fixed resolve a bug with `omegaconf` and `xm.save` (#6741)
- Fixed an issue with `IterableDataset` when `len` is not defined (#6828)
- Sanitize `None` params during pruning (#6836)
- Enforce an epoch scheduler interval when using SWA (#6588)
- Fixed TPU Colab hang issue, post training (#6816)
- Fixed a bug where `TensorBoardLogger` would give a warning and not log correctly to a symbolic link `save_dir` (#6730)
- Fixed bug where `predict` could not be used when `progress_bar_refresh_rate=0` (#6884)

## 50.9 [1.2.6] - 2021-03-30

### 50.9.1 [1.2.6] - Changed

- Changed the behavior of `on_epoch_start` to run at the beginning of validation & test epoch (#6498)

### 50.9.2 [1.2.6] - Removed

- Removed legacy code to include step dictionary returns in `callback_metrics`. Use `self.log_dict` instead. (#6682)

### 50.9.3 [1.2.6] - Fixed

- Fixed `DummyLogger.log_hyperparams` raising a `TypeError` when running with `fast_dev_run=True` (#6398)
- Fixed error on TPUs when there was no `ModelCheckpoint` (#6654)
- Fixed `trainer.test` freeze on TPUs (#6654)
- Fixed a bug where gradients were disabled after calling `Trainer.predict` (#6657)
- Fixed bug where no TPUs were detected in a TPU pod env (#6719)

## 50.10 [1.2.5] - 2021-03-23

### 50.10.1 [1.2.5] - Changed

- Update Gradient Clipping for the TPU Accelerator (#6576)
- Refactored setup for typing friendly (#6590)

### 50.10.2 [1.2.5] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug where `all_gather` would not work correctly with `tpu_cores=8` (#6587)
- Fixed comparing required versions (#6434)
- Fixed duplicate logs appearing in console when using the python logging module (#6275)
- Added Autocast in validation, test and predict modes for Native AMP (#6565)

## 50.11 [1.2.4] - 2021-03-16

### 50.11.1 [1.2.4] - Changed

- Changed the default of `find_unused_parameters` back to `True` in DDP and DDP Spawn (#6438)

### 50.11.2 [1.2.4] - Fixed

- Expose DeepSpeed loss parameters to allow users to fix loss instability (#6115)
- Fixed DP reduction with collection (#6324)
- Fixed an issue where the tuner would not tune the learning rate if also tuning the batch size (#4688)
- Fixed broadcast to use PyTorch `broadcast_object_list` and add `reduce_decision` (#6410)
- Fixed logger creating directory structure too early in DDP (#6380)
- Fixed DeepSpeed additional memory use on rank 0 when default device not set early enough (#6460)
- Fixed an issue with `Tuner.scale_batch_size` not finding the batch size attribute in the datamodule (#5968)
- Fixed an exception in the layer summary when the model contains `torch.jit` scripted submodules (#6511)
- Fixed when Train loop config was run during `Trainer.predict` (#6541)

## 50.12 [1.2.3] - 2021-03-09

### 50.12.1 [1.2.3] - Fixed

- Fixed `ModelPruning` (`make_pruning_permanent=True`) pruning buffers getting removed when saved during training (#6073)
- Fixed when `_stable_ld_sort` to work when `n >= N` (#6177)
- Fixed `AttributeError` when `logger=None` on TPU (#6221)
- Fixed PyTorch Profiler with `emit_nvtx` (#6260)
- Fixed `trainer.test` from `best_path` hangs after calling `trainer.fit` (#6272)
- Fixed `SingleTPU` calling `all_gather` (#6296)
- Ensure we check DeepSpeed/Sharded in multi-node DDP (#6297)
- Check `LightningOptimizer` doesn't delete optimizer hooks (#6305)
- Resolve memory leak for evaluation (#6326)
- Ensure that `clip_gradients` is only called if the value is greater than 0 (#6330)
- Fixed `Trainer` not resetting `lightning_optimizers` when calling `Trainer.fit()` multiple times (#6372)

## 50.13 [1.2.2] - 2021-03-02

### 50.13.1 [1.2.2] - Added

- Added `checkpoint` parameter to callback's `on_save_checkpoint` hook (#6072)

### 50.13.2 [1.2.2] - Changed

- Changed the order of `backward`, `step`, `zero_grad` to `zero_grad`, `backward`, `step` (#6147)
- Changed default for DeepSpeed CPU Offload to `False`, due to prohibitively slow speeds at smaller scale (#6262)

### 50.13.3 [1.2.2] - Fixed

- Fixed epoch level schedulers not being called when `val_check_interval < 1.0` (#6075)
- Fixed multiple early stopping callbacks (#6197)
- Fixed incorrect usage of `detach()`, `cpu()`, `to()` (#6216)
- Fixed LBFGS optimizer support which didn't converge in automatic optimization (#6147)
- Prevent `WandbLogger` from dropping values (#5931)
- Fixed error thrown when using valid distributed mode in multi node (#6297)

## 50.14 [1.2.1] - 2021-02-23

### 50.14.1 [1.2.1] - Fixed

- Fixed incorrect yield logic for the amp autocast context manager (#6080)
- Fixed priority of plugin/accelerator when setting distributed mode (#6089)
- Fixed error message for AMP + CPU incompatibility (#6107)
- Disabled batch transfer in DP mode (#6093)

## 50.15 [1.2.0] - 2021-02-18

### 50.15.1 [1.2.0] - Added

- Added `DataType`, `AverageMethod` and `MDMCAverageMethod` enum in metrics (#5657)
- Added support for summarized model total params size in megabytes (#5590)
- Added support for multiple train loaders (#1959)
- Added `Accuracy` metric now generalizes to Top-k accuracy for (multi-dimensional) multi-class inputs using the `top_k` parameter (#4838)
- Added `Accuracy` metric now enables the computation of subset accuracy for multi-label or multi-dimensional multi-class inputs with the `subset_accuracy` parameter (#4838)

- Added `HammingDistance` metric to compute the hamming distance (loss) (#4838)
- Added `max_fpr` parameter to `auroc` metric for computing partial auroc metric (#3790)
- Added `StatScores` metric to compute the number of true positives, false positives, true negatives and false negatives (#4839)
- Added `R2Score` metric (#5241)
- Added `LambdaCallback` (#5347)
- Added `BackboneLambdaFinetuningCallback` (#5377)
- Accelerator `all_gather` supports collection (#5221)
- Added `image_gradients` functional metric to compute the image gradients of a given input image. (#5056)
- Added `MetricCollection` (#4318)
- Added `.clone()` method to metrics (#4318)
- Added `IoU` class interface (#4704)
- Support to tie weights after moving model to TPU via `on_post_move_to_device` hook
- Added missing val/test hooks in `LightningModule` (#5467)
- The `Recall` and `Precision` metrics (and their functional counterparts `recall` and `precision`) can now be generalized to `Recall@K` and `Precision@K` with the use of `top_k` parameter (#4842)
- Added `ModelPruning Callback` (#5618, #5825, #6045)
- Added `PyTorchProfiler` (#5560)
- Added compositional metrics (#5464)
- Added `Trainer` method `predict(...)` for high performance predictions (#5579)
- Added `on_before_batch_transfer` and `on_after_batch_transfer` data hooks (#3671)
- Added `AUC/AUROC` class interface (#5479)
- Added `PredictLoop` object (#5752)
- Added `QuantizationAwareTraining` callback (#5706, #6040)
- Added `LightningModule.configure_callbacks` to enable the definition of model-specific callbacks (#5621)
- Added `dim` to `PSNR` metric for mean-squared-error reduction (#5957)
- Added promxial policy optimization template to `pl_examples` (#5394)
- Added `log_graph` to `CometLogger` (#5295)
- Added possibility for nested loaders (#5404)
- Added `sync_step` to `Wandb` logger (#5351)
- Added `StochasticWeightAveraging` callback (#5640)
- Added `LightningDataModule.from_datasets(...)` (#5133)
- Added `PL_TORCH_DISTRIBUTED_BACKEND` env variable to select backend (#5981)
- Added `Trainer` flag to activate `Stochastic Weight Averaging (SWA)` `Trainer(stochastic_weight_avg=True)` (#6038)
- Added `DeepSpeed` integration (#5954, #6042)

### 50.15.2 [1.2.0] - Changed

- Changed `stat_scores` metric now calculates stat scores over all classes and gains new parameters, in line with the new `StatScores` metric (#4839)
- Changed `computer_vision_fine_tuning` example to use `BackboneLambdaFinetuningCallback` (#5377)
- Changed automatic casting for `LoggerConnector` metrics (#5218)
- Changed `iou [func]` to allow float input (#4704)
- Metric `compute()` method will no longer automatically call `reset()` (#5409)
- Set PyTorch 1.4 as min requirements, also for testing and examples `torchvision>=0.5` and `torchtext>=0.5` (#5418)
- Changed `callbacks` argument in `Trainer` to allow `Callback` input (#5446)
- Changed the default of `find_unused_parameters` to `False` in DDP (#5185)
- Changed `ModelCheckpoint` version suffixes to start at 1 (#5008)
- Progress bar metrics tensors are now converted to float (#5692)
- Changed the default value for the `progress_bar_refresh_rate` `Trainer` argument in Google COLAB notebooks to 20 (#5516)
- Extended support for purely iteration-based training (#5726)
- Made `LightningModule.global_rank`, `LightningModule.local_rank` and `LightningModule.logger` read-only properties (#5730)
- Forced `ModelCheckpoint` callbacks to run after all others to guarantee all states are saved to the checkpoint (#5731)
- Refactored Accelerators and Plugins:
  - Added base classes for plugins (#5715)
  - Added parallel plugins for DP, DDP, DDPSpawn, DDP2 and Horovod (#5714)
  - Precision Plugins (#5718)
  - Added new Accelerators for CPU, GPU and TPU (#5719)
  - Added RPC and Sharded plugins (#5732)
  - Added missing `LightningModule`-wrapper logic to new plugins and accelerator (#5734)
  - Moved device-specific teardown logic from training loop to accelerator (#5973)
  - Moved `accelerator_connector.py` to the `connectors` subfolder (#6033)
  - Trainer only references accelerator (#6039)
  - Made parallel devices optional across all plugins (#6051)
  - Cleaning (#5948, #5949, #5950)
- Enabled `self.log` in callbacks (#5094)
- Renamed `xxx_AVAILABLE` as `protected` (#5082)
- Unified module names in `Utils` (#5199)
- Separated utils: imports & enums (#5256 #5874)
- Refactor: clean trainer device & distributed getters (#5300)



- Simplified training phase as `LightningEnum` (#5419)
- Updated metrics to use `LightningEnum` (#5689)
- Changed the seq of `on_train_batch_end`, `on_batch_end` & `on_train_epoch_end`, `on_epoch_end` hooks (#5688)
- Refactored `setup_training` and remove `test_mode` (#5388)
- Disabled training with zero `num_training_batches` when insufficient `limit_train_batches` (#5703)
- Refactored `EpochResultStore` (#5522)
- Update `lr_finder` to check for attribute if not running `fast_dev_run` (#5990)
- `LightningOptimizer` manual optimizer is more flexible and expose `toggle_model` (#5771)
- `MlflowLogger` limit parameter value length to 250 char (#5893)
- Re-introduced fix for Hydra directory sync with multiple process (#5993)

### 50.15.3 [1.2.0] - Deprecated

- Function `stat_scores_multiple_classes` is deprecated in favor of `stat_scores` (#4839)
- Moved accelerators and plugins to its legacy pkg (#5645)
- Deprecated `LightningDistributedDataParallel` in favor of new wrapper module `LightningDistributedModule` (#5185)
- Deprecated `LightningDataParallel` in favor of new wrapper module `LightningParallelModule` (#5670)
- Renamed utils modules (#5199)
  - `argparse_utils` >> `argparse`
  - `model_utils` >> `model_helpers`
  - `warning_utils` >> `warnings`
  - `xla_device_utils` >> `xla_device`
- Deprecated using `'val_loss'` to set the `ModelCheckpoint` monitor (#6012)
- Deprecated `.get_model()` with explicit `.lightning_module` property (#6035)
- Deprecated `Trainer` attribute `accelerator_backend` in favor of `accelerator` (#6034)

### 50.15.4 [1.2.0] - Removed

- Removed deprecated checkpoint argument `filepath` (#5321)
- Removed deprecated `Fbeta`, `f1_score` and `fbeta_score` metrics (#5322)
- Removed deprecated `TrainResult` (#5323)
- Removed deprecated `EvalResult` (#5633)
- Removed `LoggerStages` (#5673)

### 50.15.5 [1.2.0] - Fixed

- Fixed distributed setting and `ddp_cpu` only with `num_processes>1` (#5297)
- Fixed `num_workers` for Windows example (#5375)
- Fixed loading yaml (#5619)
- Fixed support custom DataLoader with DDP if they can be re-instantiated (#5745)
- Fixed repeated `.fit()` calls ignore `max_steps` iteration bound (#5936)
- Fixed throwing `MisconfigurationError` on unknown mode (#5255)
- Resolve bug with Finetuning (#5744)
- Fixed `ModelCheckpoint` race condition in file existence check (#5155)
- Fixed some compatibility with PyTorch 1.8 (#5864)
- Fixed forward cache (#5895)
- Fixed recursive detach of tensors to CPU (#6007)
- Fixed passing wrong strings for scheduler interval doesn't throw an error (#5923)
- Fixed wrong `requires_grad` state after `return None` with multiple optimizers (#5738)
- Fixed add `on_epoch_end` hook at the end of validation, test epoch (#5986)
- Fixed missing `process_dataloader` call for `TPUSpawn` when in distributed mode (#6015)
- Fixed progress bar flickering by appending 0 to floats/strings (#6009)
- Fixed synchronization issues with TPU training (#6027)
- Fixed `hparams.yaml` saved twice when using `TensorBoardLogger` (#5953)
- Fixed basic examples (#5912, #5985)
- Fixed `fairscale` compatible with PT 1.8 (#5996)
- Ensured `process_dataloader` is called when `tpu_cores > 1` to use Parallel DataLoader (#6015)
- Attempted SLURM auto resume call when non-shell call fails (#6002)
- Fixed wrapping optimizers upon assignment (#6006)
- Fixed allowing hashing of metrics with lists in their state (#5939)

## 50.16 [1.1.8] - 2021-02-08

### 50.16.1 [1.1.8] - Fixed

- Separate epoch validation from step validation (#5208)
- Fixed `toggle_optimizers` not handling all optimizer parameters (#5775)

## 50.17 [1.1.7] - 2021-02-03

### 50.17.1 [1.1.7] - Fixed

- Fixed `TensorBoardLogger` not closing `SummaryWriter` on `finalize` (#5696)
- Fixed filtering of pytorch “unsqueeze” warning when using DP (#5622)
- Fixed `num_classes` argument in F1 metric (#5663)
- Fixed `log_dir` property (#5537)
- Fixed a race condition in `ModelCheckpoint` when checking if a checkpoint file exists (#5144)
- Remove unnecessary intermediate layers in Dockerfiles (#5697)
- Fixed auto learning rate ordering (#5638)

## 50.18 [1.1.6] - 2021-01-26

### 50.18.1 [1.1.6] - Changed

- Increased TPU check timeout from 20s to 100s (#5598)
- Ignored `step` param in Neptune logger’s `log_metric` method (#5510)
- Pass batch outputs to `on_train_batch_end` instead of `epoch_end` outputs (#4369)

### 50.18.2 [1.1.6] - Fixed

- Fixed `toggle_optimizer` to reset `requires_grad` state (#5574)
- Fixed `FileNotFoundError` for best checkpoint when using DDP with Hydra (#5629)
- Fixed an error when logging a progress bar metric with a reserved name (#5620)
- Fixed `Metric`’s `state_dict` not included when child modules (#5614)
- Fixed Neptune logger creating multiple experiments when GPUs > 1 (#3256)
- Fixed duplicate logs appearing in console when using the python logging module (#5509)
- Fixed tensor printing in `trainer.test()` (#5138)
- Fixed not using dataloader when `hparams` present (#4559)

## 50.19 [1.1.5] - 2021-01-19

### 50.19.1 [1.1.5] - Fixed

- Fixed a visual bug in the progress bar display initialization (#4579)
- Fixed logging `on_train_batch_end` in a callback with multiple optimizers (#5521)
- Fixed `reinit_scheduler_properties` with correct optimizer (#5519)
- Fixed `val_check_interval` with `fast_dev_run` (#5540)

## 50.20 [1.1.4] - 2021-01-12

### 50.20.1 [1.1.4] - Added

- Add automatic optimization property setter to lightning module (#5169)

### 50.20.2 [1.1.4] - Changed

- Changed deprecated `enable_pl_optimizer=True` (#5244)

### 50.20.3 [1.1.4] - Fixed

- Fixed `transfer_batch_to_device` for DDP with `len(devices_ids) == 1` (#5195)
- Logging only on `not should_accumulate()` during training (#5417)
- Resolve interpolation bug with Hydra (#5406)
- Check environ before selecting a seed to prevent warning message (#4743)
- Fixed signature mismatch in `model_to_device` of `DDPCPUHPCAccelerator` (#5505)

## 50.21 [1.1.3] - 2021-01-05

### 50.21.1 [1.1.3] - Added

- Added a check for optimizer attached to `lr_scheduler` (#5338)
- Added support for passing non-existing filepaths to `resume_from_checkpoint` (#4402)

### 50.21.2 [1.1.3] - Changed

- Skip restore from `resume_from_checkpoint` while testing (#5161)
- Allowed `log_momentum` for adaptive optimizers in `LearningRateMonitor` (#5333)
- Disabled checkpointing, earlystopping and logging with `fast_dev_run` (#5277)
- Distributed group defaults to `WORLD` if `None` (#5125)

### 50.21.3 [1.1.3] - Fixed

- Fixed `trainer.test` returning non-test metrics (#5214)
- Fixed metric state reset (#5273)
- Fixed `--num-nodes` on `DDPSequentialPlugin` (#5327)
- Fixed invalid value for `weights_summary` (#5296)
- Fixed `Trainer.test` not using the latest `best_model_path` (#5161)
- Fixed existence check for hparams not using underlying filesystem (#5250)
- Fixed `LightningOptimizer` AMP bug (#5191)

- Fixed casted key to string in `_flatten_dict` (#5354)

## 50.22 [1.1.2] - 2020-12-23

### 50.22.1 [1.1.2] - Added

- Support number for logging with `sync_dist=True` (#5080)
- Added offset logging step when resuming for Wandb logger (#5050)

### 50.22.2 [1.1.2] - Removed

- `enable_pl_optimizer=False` by default to temporarily fix AMP issues (#5163)

### 50.22.3 [1.1.2] - Fixed

- Metric reduction with Logging (#5150)
- Remove nan loss in manual optimization (#5121)
- Un-balanced logging properly supported (#5119)
- Fix hanging in DDP HPC accelerators (#5157)
- Fix reset `TensorRunningAccum` (#5106)
- Updated `DALIClassificationLoader` to not use deprecated arguments (#4925)
- Corrected call to `torch.no_grad` (#5124)

## 50.23 [1.1.1] - 2020-12-15

### 50.23.1 [1.1.1] - Added

- Add a notebook example to reach a quick baseline of ~94% accuracy on CIFAR10 using Resnet in Lightning (#4818)

### 50.23.2 [1.1.1] - Changed

- Simplify accelerator steps (#5015)
- Refactor load in checkpoint connector (#4593)
- Fixed the saved filename in `ModelCheckpoint` when it already exists (#4861)

### 50.23.3 [1.1.1] - Removed

- Drop duplicate metrics (#5014)
- Remove beta arg from F1 class and functional (#5076)

### 50.23.4 [1.1.1] - Fixed

- Fixed trainer by default None in DDPAccelerator (#4915)
- Fixed LightningOptimizer to expose optimizer attributes (#5095)
- Do not warn when the name key is used in the lr\_scheduler dict (#5057)
- Check if optimizer supports closure (#4981)
- Add deprecated metric utility functions back to functional ( #5067, #5068)
- Allow any input in to\_onnx and to\_torchscript (#4378)
- Fixed DDPHPCAccelerator hangs in DDP construction by calling init\_device (#5157)

## 50.24 [1.1.0] - 2020-12-09

### 50.24.1 [1.1.0] - Added

- Added “monitor” key to saved ModelCheckpoints (#4383)
- Added ConfusionMatrix class interface (#4348)
- Added multiclass AUROC metric (#4236)
- Added global step indexing to the checkpoint name for a better sub-epoch checkpointing experience (#3807)
- Added optimizer hooks in callbacks (#4379)
- Added option to log momentum (#4384)
- Added current\_score to ModelCheckpoint.on\_save\_checkpoint (#4721)
- Added logging using self.log in train and evaluation for epoch end hooks ( #4552, #4495, #4439, #4684, #4913)
- Added ability for DDP plugin to modify optimizer state saving (#4675)
- Added prefix argument in loggers (#4557)
- Added printing of total num of params, trainable and non-trainable params in ModelSummary (#4521)
- Added PrecisionRecallCurve, ROC, AveragePrecision class metric (#4549)
- Added custom Apex and NativeAMP as Precision plugins (#4355)
- Added DALI MNIST example (#3721)
- Added sharded plugin for DDP for multi-gpu training memory optimizations ( #4639, #4686, #4737, #4773)
- Added experiment\_id to the NeptuneLogger (#3462)
- Added Pytorch Geometric integration example with Lightning (#4568)

- Added `all_gather` method to `LightningModule` which allows gradient based tensor synchronizations for use-cases such as negative sampling. (#5012)
- Enabled `self.log` in most functions (#4969)
- Added changeable extension variable for `ModelCheckpoint` (#4977)

### 50.24.2 [1.1.0] - Changed

- Tuner algorithms will be skipped if `fast_dev_run=True` (#3903)
- `WandbLogger` does not force `wandb reinit` arg to `True` anymore and creates a run only when needed (#4648)
- Changed `automatic_optimization` to be a model attribute (#4602)
- Changed `SimpleProfiler` report to order by percentage time spent + num calls (#4880)
- Simplify optimization Logic (#4984)
- Classification metrics overhaul (#4837)
- Updated `fast_dev_run` to accept integer representing `num_batches` (#4629)
- Refactored optimizer (#4658)

### 50.24.3 [1.1.0] - Deprecated

- Deprecated `prefix` argument in `ModelCheckpoint` (#4765)
- Deprecated the old way of assigning hyper-parameters through `self.hparams = ...` (#4813)
- Deprecated `mode='auto'` from `ModelCheckpoint` and `EarlyStopping` (#4695)

### 50.24.4 [1.1.0] - Removed

- Removed `reorder` parameter of the `auc` metric (#5004)
- Removed `multiclass_roc` and `multiclass_precision_recall_curve`, use `roc` and `precision_recall_curve` instead (#4549)

### 50.24.5 [1.1.0] - Fixed

- Added feature to move tensors to CPU before saving (#4309)
- Fixed `LoggerConnector` to have logged metrics on root device in DP (#4138)
- Auto convert tensors to contiguous format when `gather_all` (#4907)
- Fixed `PYTHONPATH` for ddp test model (#4528)
- Fixed allowing logger to support indexing (#4595)
- Fixed DDP and `manual_optimization` (#4976)

## 50.25 [1.0.8] - 2020-11-24

### 50.25.1 [1.0.8] - Added

- Added casting to python types for numpy scalars when logging hparams (#4647)
- Added warning when progress bar refresh rate is less than 20 on Google Colab to prevent crashing (#4654)
- Added F1 class metric (#4656)

### 50.25.2 [1.0.8] - Changed

- Consistently use `step=trainer.global_step` in `LearningRateMonitor` independently of `logging_interval` (#4376)
- Metric states are no longer as default added to `state_dict` (#4685)
- Renamed class metric `Fbeta` >> `FBeta` (#4656)
- Model summary: add 1 decimal place (#4745)
- Do not override `PYTHONWARNINGS` (#4700)
- Changed `init_ddp_connection` moved from `DDP` to `DDPPlugin` (#4407)

### 50.25.3 [1.0.8] - Fixed

- Fixed checkpoint hparams dict casting when `omegaconf` is available (#4770)
- Fixed incomplete progress bars when total batches not divisible by refresh rate (#4577)
- Updated SSIM metric (#4566)
- Fixed `batch_arg_name` - add `batch_arg_name` to all calls to `_adjust_batch_size` bug (#4812)
- Fixed `torchtext` data to GPU (#4785)
- Fixed a crash bug in MLFlow logger (#4716)

## 50.26 [1.0.7] - 2020-11-17

### 50.26.1 [1.0.7] - Added

- Added lambda closure to `manual_optimizer_step` (#4618)



### 50.26.2 [1.0.7] - Changed

- Change Metrics persistent default mode to False (#4685)
- LoggerConnector log\_metrics will use total\_batch\_idx instead of global\_step when logging on training step (#4738)

### 50.26.3 [1.0.7] - Fixed

- Prevent crash if sync\_dist=True on CPU (#4626)
- Fixed average pbar Metrics (#4534)
- Fixed setup callback hook to correctly pass the LightningModule through (#4608)
- Allowing decorate model init with saving hparams inside (#4662)
- Fixed split\_idx set by LoggerConnector in on\_trainer\_init to Trainer (#4697)

## 50.27 [1.0.6] - 2020-11-11

### 50.27.1 [1.0.6] - Added

- Added metrics aggregation in Horovod and fixed early stopping (#3775)
- Added manual\_optimizer\_step which work with AMP Native and accumulated\_grad\_batches (#4485)
- Added persistent(mode) method to metrics, to enable and disable metric states being added to state\_dict (#4482)
- Added congratulations at the end of our notebooks (#4555)
- Added parameters move\_metrics\_to\_cpu in Trainer to disable gpu leak (#4592)

### 50.27.2 [1.0.6] - Changed

- Changed fsspec to tuner (#4458)
- Unify SLURM/TorchElastic under backend plugin (#4578, #4580, #4581, #4582, #4583)

### 50.27.3 [1.0.6] - Fixed

- Fixed feature-lack in hpc\_load (#4526)
- Fixed metrics states being overridden in DDP mode (#4482)
- Fixed lightning\_getattr, lightning\_hasattr not finding the correct attributes in datamodule (#4347)
- Fixed automatic optimization AMP by manual\_optimization\_step (#4485)
- Replace MisconfigurationException with warning in ModelCheckpoint Callback (#4560)
- Fixed logged keys in mlflow logger (#4412)
- Fixed is\_picklable by catching AttributeError (#4508)

- Fixed multi test dataloaders dict `AttributeError` error (#4480)
- Fixed show progress bar only for `progress_rank 0` on DDP\_SLURM (#4437)

## 50.28 [1.0.5] - 2020-11-03

### 50.28.1 [1.0.5] - Added

- Added PyTorch 1.7 Stable support (#3821)
- Added timeout for `tpu_device_exists` to ensure process does not hang indefinitely (#4340)

### 50.28.2 [1.0.5] - Changed

- W&B log in sync with `Trainer` step (#4405)
- Hook `on_after_backward` is called only when `optimizer_step` is being called (#4439)
- Moved `track_and_norm_grad` into training loop and called only when `optimizer_step` is being called (#4439)
- Changed type checker with explicit cast of `ref_model` object (#4457)
- Changed `distributed_backend` -> `accelerator` (#4429)

### 50.28.3 [1.0.5] - Deprecated

- Deprecated passing `ModelCheckpoint` instance to `checkpoint_callback` `Trainer` argument (#4336)

### 50.28.4 [1.0.5] - Fixed

- Disable saving checkpoints if not trained (#4372)
- Fixed error using `auto_select_gpus=True` with `gpus=-1` (#4209)
- Disabled training when `limit_train_batches=0` (#4371)
- Fixed that metrics do not store computational graph for all seen data (#4313)
- Fixed AMP unscale for `on_after_backward` (#4439)
- Fixed TorchScript export when module includes Metrics (#4428)
- Fixed TorchScript trace method's data to device and docstring (#4360)
- Fixed CSV logger warning (#4419)
- Fixed skip DDP parameter sync (#4301)
- Fixed `WandbLogger._sanitize_callable` function (#4422)
- Fixed AMP `Native_unscale` gradient (#4441)

## 50.29 [1.0.4] - 2020-10-27

### 50.29.1 [1.0.4] - Added

- Added `dirpath` and `filename` parameter in `ModelCheckpoint` (#4213)
- Added plugins docs and `DDPPlugin` to customize `ddp` across all accelerators (#4258)
- Added `strict` option to the scheduler dictionary (#3586)
- Added `fsspec` support for profilers (#4162)
- Added autogenerated helptext to `Trainer.add_argparse_args` (#4344)
- Added support for string values in `Trainer's profiler` parameter (#3656)
- Added `optimizer_closure` to `optimizer.step` when supported (#4190)
- Added unification of regression metrics (#4166)
- Added checkpoint load from Bytes (#4314)

### 50.29.2 [1.0.4] - Changed

- Improved error messages for invalid `configure_optimizers` returns (#3587)
- Allow changing the logged step value in `validation_step` (#4130)
- Allow setting `replace_sampler_ddp=True` with a distributed sampler already added (#4273)
- Fixed santized parameters for `WandbLogger.log_hyperparams` (#4320)

### 50.29.3 [1.0.4] - Deprecated

- Deprecated `filepath` in `ModelCheckpoint` (#4213)
- Deprecated `reorder` parameter of the `auc` metric (#4237)
- Deprecated bool values in `Trainer's profiler` parameter (#3656)

### 50.29.4 [1.0.4] - Fixed

- Fixed setting device ids in DDP (#4297)
- Fixed synchronization of best model path in `ddp_accelerator` (#4323)
- Fixed `WandbLogger` not uploading checkpoint artifacts at the end of training (#4341)
- Fixed `FBeta` computation (#4183)
- Fixed `accumulation across batches` has completed before breaking training loop (#4278)
- Fixed `ModelCheckpoint` don't increase `current_epoch` and `global_step` when not training (#4291)
- Fixed `COMET_EXPERIMENT_KEY` environment variable usage in comet logger (#4230)

## 50.30 [1.0.3] - 2020-10-20

### 50.30.1 [1.0.3] - Added

- Added persistent flag to `Metric.add_state` (#4195)

### 50.30.2 [1.0.3] - Changed

- Used `checkpoint_connector.hpc_save` in SLURM (#4217)
- Moved base req. to root (#4219)

### 50.30.3 [1.0.3] - Fixed

- Fixed hparams assign in init (#4189)
- Fixed overwrite check for model hooks (#4010)

## 50.31 [1.0.2] - 2020-10-15

### 50.31.1 [1.0.2] - Added

- Added trace functionality to the function `to_torchscript` (#4142)

### 50.31.2 [1.0.2] - Changed

- Called `on_load_checkpoint` before loading `state_dict` (#4057)

### 50.31.3 [1.0.2] - Removed

- Removed duplicate metric vs step log for train loop (#4173)

### 50.31.4 [1.0.2] - Fixed

- Fixed the `self.log` problem in `validation_step()` (#4169)
- Fixed hparams saving - save the state when `save_hyperparameters()` is called [in `__init__`] (#4163)
- Fixed runtime failure while exporting hparams to yaml (#4158)

## 50.32 [1.0.1] - 2020-10-14

### 50.32.1 [1.0.1] - Added

- Added `getstate/setstate` method for `torch.save` serialization (#4127)

## 50.33 [1.0.0] - 2020-10-13

### 50.33.1 [1.0.0] - Added

- Added Explained Variance Metric + metric fix (#4013)
- Added Metric <-> Lightning Module integration tests (#4008)
- Added parsing OS env vars in Trainer (#4022)
- Added classification metrics (#4043)
- Updated explained variance metric (#4024)
- Enabled plugins (#4041)
- Enabled custom clusters (#4048)
- Enabled passing in custom accelerators (#4050)
- Added `LightningModule.toggle_optimizer` (#4058)
- Added `LightningModule.manual_backward` (#4063)
- Added `output` argument to `*_batch_end` hooks (#3965, #3966)
- Added `output` argument to `*_epoch_end` hooks (#3967)

### 50.33.2 [1.0.0] - Changed

- Integrated metrics API with `self.log` (#3961)
- Decoupled Apex (#4052, #4054, #4055, #4056, #4058, #4060, #4061, #4062, #4063, #4064, #4065)
- Renamed all backends to `Accelerator` (#4066)
- Enabled manual returns (#4089)

### 50.33.3 [1.0.0] - Removed

- Removed support for `EvalResult` and `TrainResult` (#3968)
- Removed deprecated trainer flags: `overfit_pct`, `log_save_interval`, `row_log_interval` (#3969)
- Removed deprecated `early_stop_callback` (#3982)
- Removed deprecated model hooks (#3980)
- Removed deprecated callbacks (#3979)
- Removed `trainer` argument in `LightningModule.backward` #4056)

### 50.33.4 [1.0.0] - Fixed

- Fixed `current_epoch` property update to reflect true epoch number inside `LightningDataModule`, when `reload_dataloaders_every_epoch=True`. (#3974)
- Fixed to print scaler value in progress bar (#4053)
- Fixed mismatch between docstring and code regarding when `on_load_checkpoint` hook is called (#3996)

## 50.34 [0.10.0] - 2020-10-07

### 50.34.1 [0.10.0] - Added

- Added new Metrics API. (#3868, #3921)
- Enable PyTorch 1.7 compatibility (#3541)
- Added `LightningModule.to_torchscript` to support exporting as `ScriptModule` (#3258)
- Added warning when dropping unpicklable hparams (#2874)
- Added EMB similarity (#3349)
- Added `ModelCheckpoint.to_yaml` method (#3048)
- Allow `ModelCheckpoint` monitor to be `None`, meaning it will always save (#3630)
- Disabled optimizers setup during testing (#3059)
- Added support for datamodules to save and load checkpoints when training (#3563)
- Added support for datamodule in learning rate finder (#3425)
- Added gradient clip test for native AMP (#3754)
- Added dist lib to enable syncing anything across devices (#3762)
- Added broadcast to `TPUBackend` (#3814)
- Added `XLADeviceUtils` class to check XLA device type (#3274)

### 50.34.2 [0.10.0] - Changed

- Refactored accelerator backends:
  - moved `TPU xxx_step` to backend (#3118)
  - refactored DDP backend `forward` (#3119)
  - refactored GPU backend `__step` (#3120)
  - refactored Horovod backend (#3121, #3122)
  - remove obscure `forward` call in `eval + CPU` backend `__step` (#3123)
  - reduced all simplified `forward` (#3126)
  - added hook base method (#3127)
  - refactor `eval` loop to use hooks - use `test_mode` for if so we can split later (#3129)
  - moved `__step_end` hooks (#3130)
  - training `forward` refactor (#3134)

- training AMP scaling refactor (#3135)
- eval step scaling factor (#3136)
- add eval loop object to streamline eval loop (#3138)
- refactored dataloader process hook (#3139)
- refactored inner eval loop (#3141)
- final inner eval loop hooks (#3154)
- clean up hooks in `run_evaluation` (#3156)
- clean up data reset (#3161)
- expand eval loop out (#3165)
- moved hooks around in eval loop (#3195)
- remove `__evaluate` fx (#3197)
- `Trainer.fit` hook clean up (#3198)
- DDPs train hooks (#3203)
- refactor DDP backend (#3204, #3207, #3208, #3209, #3210)
- reduced accelerator selection (#3211)
- group prepare data hook (#3212)
- added data connector (#3285)
- modular `is_overridden` (#3290)
- adding `Trainer.tune()` (#3293)
- move `run_pretrain_routine` -> `setup_training` (#3294)
- move train outside of setup training (#3297)
- move `prepare_data` to data connector (#3307)
- moved accelerator router (#3309)
- train loop refactor - moving train loop to own object (#3310, #3312, #3313, #3314)
- duplicate data interface definition up into `DataHooks` class (#3344)
- inner train loop (#3359, #3361, #3362, #3363, #3365, #3366, #3367, #3368, #3369, #3370, #3371, #3372, #3373, #3374, #3375, #3376, #3385, #3388, #3397)
- all logging related calls in a connector (#3395)
- device parser (#3400, #3405)
- added model connector (#3407)
- moved eval loop logging to loggers (#3408)
- moved eval loop (#3412#3408)
- trainer/separate argparse (#3421, #3428, #3432)
- move `lr_finder` (#3434)
- organize args (##3435, #3442, #3447, #3448, #3449, #3456)
- move specific accelerator code (#3457)

- group connectors (#3472)
- accelerator connector methods x/n (#3469, #3470, #3474)
- merge backends x/n (#3476, #3477, #3478, #3480, #3482)
- apex plugin (#3502)
- precision plugins (#3504)
- Result - make monitor default to `checkpoint_on` to simplify (#3571)
- reference to the Trainer on the `LightningDataModule` (#3684)
- add `.log` to lightning module (#3686, #3699, #3701, #3704, #3715)
- enable tracking original metric when step and epoch are both true (#3685)
- deprecated results obj, added support for simpler comms (#3681)
- move backends back to individual files (#3712)
- fixes logging for eval steps (#3763)
- decoupled DDP, DDP spawn (#3733, #3766, #3767, #3774, #3802, #3806, #3817, #3819, #3927)
- remove weight loading hack for `ddp_cpu` (#3808)
- separate `torchelastic` from DDP (#3810)
- separate SLURM from DDP (#3809)
- decoupled DDP2 (#3816)
- bug fix with logging val epoch end + monitor (#3812)
- callback system and init DDP (#3836)
- adding compute environments (#3837, #3842)
- epoch can now log independently (#3843)
- test selecting the correct backend. temp backends while slurm and TorchElastic are decoupled (#3848)
- fixed `init_slurm_connection` causing hostname errors (#3856)
- moves init apex from LM to apex connector (#3923)
- moves sync bn to each backend (#3925)
- moves configure ddp to each backend (#3924)
- Deprecation warning (#3844)
- Changed `LearningRateLogger` to `LearningRateMonitor` (#3251)
- Used `fsspec` instead of `gfile` for all IO (#3320)
  - Swaped `torch.load` for `fsspec` load in DDP spawn backend (#3787)
  - Swaped `torch.load` for `fsspec` load in `cloud_io` loading (#3692)
  - Added support for `to_disk()` to use remote filepaths with `fsspec` (#3930)
  - Updated `model_checkpoint`'s `to_yaml` to use `fsspec` open (#3801)
  - Fixed `fsspec` is inconsistent when doing `fs.ls` (#3805)
- Refactor `GPUSStatsMonitor` to improve training speed (#3257)
- Changed IoU score behavior for classes absent in target and pred (#3098)



- Changed IoU `remove_bg` bool to `ignore_index` optional int (#3098)
- Changed defaults of `save_top_k` and `save_last` to `None` in `ModelCheckpoint` (#3680)
- `row_log_interval` and `log_save_interval` are now based on training loop's `global_step` instead of epoch-internal batch index (#3667)
- Silenced some warnings. verified ddp refactors (#3483)
- Cleaning up stale logger tests (#3490)
- Allow `ModelCheckpoint` `monitor` to be `None` (#3633)
- Enable `None` model checkpoint default (#3669)
- Skipped `best_model_path` if `checkpoint_callback` is `None` (#2962)
- Used `raise .. from ..` to explicitly chain exceptions (#3750)
- Mocking loggers (#3596, #3617, #3851, #3859, #3884, #3853, #3910, #3889, #3926)
- Write predictions in `LightningModule` instead of `EvalResult` #3882

### 50.34.3 [0.10.0] - Deprecated

- Deprecated `TrainResult` and `EvalResult`, use `self.log` and `self.write` from the `LightningModule` to log metrics and write predictions. `training_step` can now only return a scalar (for the loss) or a dictionary with anything you want. (#3681)
- Deprecate `early_stop_callback` `Trainer` argument (#3845)
- Rename `Trainer` arguments `row_log_interval` >> `log_every_n_steps` and `log_save_interval` >> `flush_logs_every_n_steps` (#3748)

### 50.34.4 [0.10.0] - Removed

- Removed experimental Metric API (#3943, #3949, #3946), listed changes before final removal:
  - Added `EmbeddingSimilarity` metric (#3349, #3358)
  - Added hooks to metric module interface (#2528)
  - Added error when AUROC metric is used for multiclass problems (#3350)
  - Fixed `ModelCheckpoint` with `save_top_k=-1` option not tracking the best models when a monitor metric is available (#3735)
  - Fixed counter-intuitive error being thrown in `Accuracy` metric for zero target tensor (#3764)
  - Fixed aggregation of metrics (#3517)
  - Fixed Metric aggregation (#3321)
  - Fixed RMSLE metric (#3188)
  - Renamed `reduction` to `class_reduction` in classification metrics (#3322)
  - Changed `class_reduction` similar to sklearn for classification metrics (#3322)
  - Renaming of precision recall metric (#3308)

### 50.34.5 [0.10.0] - Fixed

- Fixed `on_train_batch_start` hook to end epoch early (#3700)
- Fixed `num_sanity_val_steps` is clipped to `limit_val_batches` (#2917)
- Fixed ONNX model save on GPU (#3145)
- Fixed `GpuUsageLogger` to work on different platforms (#3008)
- Fixed auto-scale batch size not dumping `auto_lr_find` parameter (#3151)
- Fixed `batch_outputs` with optimizer frequencies (#3229)
- Fixed setting batch size in `LightningModule.datamodule` when using `auto_scale_batch_size` (#3266)
- Fixed Horovod distributed backend compatibility with native AMP (#3404)
- Fixed batch size auto scaling exceeding the size of the dataset (#3271)
- Fixed getting `experiment_id` from MLFlow only once instead of each training loop (#3394)
- Fixed `overfit_batches` which now correctly disables shuffling for the training loader. (#3501)
- Fixed gradient norm tracking for `row_log_interval > 1` (#3489)
- Fixed `ModelCheckpoint` name formatting (3164)
- Fixed example implementation of `AutoEncoder` (#3190)
- Fixed invalid paths when remote logging with `TensorBoard` (#3236)
- Fixed change `t()` to `transpose()` as XLA devices do not support `.t()` on 1-dim tensor (#3252)
- Fixed (weights only) checkpoints loading without PL (#3287)
- Fixed `gather_all_tensors` cross GPUs in DDP (#3319)
- Fixed `CometML` save dir (#3419)
- Fixed forward key metrics (#3467)
- Fixed normalize mode at confusion matrix (replace NaNs with zeros) (#3465)
- Fixed global step increment in training loop when `training_epoch_end` hook is used (#3673)
- Fixed `dataloader` shuffling not getting turned off with `overfit_batches > 0` and `distributed_backend = "ddp"` (#3534)
- Fixed determinism in `DDPSpawnBackend` when using `seed_everything` in main process (#3335)
- Fixed `ModelCheckpoint` period to actually save every period epochs (#3630)
- Fixed `val_progress_bar` total with `num_sanity_val_steps` (#3751)
- Fixed `Tuner` dump: add `current_epoch` to `dumped_params` (#3261)
- Fixed `current_epoch` and `global_step` properties mismatch between `Trainer` and `LightningModule` (#3785)
- Fixed learning rate scheduler for optimizers with internal state (#3897)
- Fixed `tbptt_reduce_fx` when non-floating tensors are logged (#3796)
- Fixed model checkpoint frequency (#3852)
- Fixed logging non-tensor scalar with result breaks subsequent epoch aggregation (#3855)
- Fixed `TrainerEvaluationLoopMixin` activates `model.train()` at the end (#3858)

- Fixed `overfit_batches` when using with multiple `val/test_dataloaders` (#3857)
- Fixed enables `training_step` to return `None` (#3862)
- Fixed init nan for checkpointing (#3863)
- Fixed for `load_from_checkpoint` (#2776)
- Fixes incorrect `batch_sizes` when `Dataloader` returns a dict with multiple tensors (#3668)
- Fixed unexpected signature for `validation_step` (#3947)

## 50.35 [0.9.0] - 2020-08-20

### 50.35.1 [0.9.0] - Added

- Added SyncBN for DDP (#2801, #2838)
- Added basic CSVLogger (#2721)
- Added SSIM metrics (#2671)
- Added BLEU metrics (#2535)
- Added support to export a model to ONNX format (#2596)
- Added support for `Trainer(num_sanity_val_steps=-1)` to check all validation data before training (#2246)
- Added struct. output:
  - tests for val loop flow (#2605)
  - `EvalResult` support for train and val. loop (#2615, #2651)
  - weighted average in results obj (#2930)
  - fix result obj DP auto reduce (#3013)
- Added class `LightningDataModule` (#2668)
- Added support for PyTorch 1.6 (#2745)
- Added call `DataModule` hooks implicitly in trainer (#2755)
- Added support for Mean in DDP Sync (#2568)
- Added remaining sklearn metrics: `AveragePrecision`, `BalancedAccuracy`, `CohenKappaScore`, `DCG`, `Hamming`, `Hinge`, `Jaccard`, `MeanAbsoluteError`, `MeanSquaredError`, `MeanSquaredLogError`, `MedianAbsoluteError`, `R2Score`, `MeanPoissonDeviance`, `MeanGammaDeviance`, `MeanTweedieDeviance`, `ExplainedVariance` (#2562)
- Added support for `limit_{mode}_batches (int)` to work with infinite dataloader (`IterableDataset`) (#2840)
- Added support returning python scalars in DP (#1935)
- Added support to Tensorboard logger for `OmegaConf` hparams (#2846)
- Added tracking of basic states in `Trainer` (#2541)
- Tracks all outputs including TBPTT and multiple optimizers (#2890)
- Added GPU Usage Logger (#2932)

- Added `strict=False` for `load_from_checkpoint` (#2819)
- Added saving test predictions on multiple GPUs (#2926)
- Auto log the computational graph for loggers that support this (#3003)
- Added warning when changing monitor and using results obj (#3014)
- Added a hook `transfer_batch_to_device` to the `LightningDataModule` (#3038)

### 50.35.2 [0.9.0] - Changed

- Truncated long version numbers in progress bar (#2594)
- Enabling val/test loop disabling (#2692)
- Refactored into `accelerator` module:
  - GPU training (#2704)
  - TPU training (#2708)
  - DDP(2) backend (#2796)
  - Retrieve last logged val from result by key (#3049)
- Using `.comet.config` file for `CometLogger` (#1913)
- Updated hooks arguments - breaking for setup and teardown (#2850)
- Using `gfile` to support remote directories (#2164)
- Moved optimizer creation after device placement for DDP backends (#2904)
- Support `**DictConfig` for hparam serialization (#2519)
- Removed callback metrics from test results obj (#2994)
- Re-enabled naming metrics in ckpt name (#3060)
- Changed progress bar epoch counting to start from 0 (#3061)

### 50.35.3 [0.9.0] - Deprecated

- Deprecated Trainer attribute `ckpt_path`, which will now be set by `weights_save_path` (#2681)

### 50.35.4 [0.9.0] - Removed

- Removed deprecated: (#2760)
  - core decorator `data_loader`
  - Module hook `on_sanity_check_start` and loading `load_from_metrics`
  - package `pytorch_lightning.logging`
  - Trainer arguments: `show_progress_bar`, `num_tpu_cores`, `use_amp`, `print_nan_grads`
  - LR Finder argument `num_accumulation_steps`

### 50.35.5 [0.9.0] - Fixed

- Fixed `accumulate_grad_batches` for last batch (#2853)
- Fixed setup call while testing (#2624)
- Fixed local rank zero casting (#2640)
- Fixed single scalar return from training (#2587)
- Fixed Horovod backend to scale LR schedulers with the optimizer (#2626)
- Fixed `dtype` and `device` properties not getting updated in submodules (#2657)
- Fixed `fast_dev_run` to run for all dataloaders (#2581)
- Fixed `save_dir` in loggers getting ignored by default value of `weights_save_path` when user did not specify `weights_save_path` (#2681)
- Fixed `weights_save_path` getting ignored when `logger=False` is passed to Trainer (#2681)
- Fixed TPU multi-core and Float16 (#2632)
- Fixed test metrics not being logged with `LoggerCollection` (#2723)
- Fixed data transfer to device when using `torchtext.data.Field` and `include_lengths` is `True` (#2689)
- Fixed shuffle argument for distributed sampler (#2789)
- Fixed logging interval (#2694)
- Fixed loss value in the progress bar is wrong when `accumulate_grad_batches > 1` (#2738)
- Fixed correct CWD for ddp sub-processes when using Hydra (#2719)
- Fixed selecting GPUs using `CUDA_VISIBLE_DEVICES` (#2739)
- Fixed false `num_classes` warning in metrics (#2781)
- Fixed shell injection vulnerability in subprocess call (#2786)
- Fixed LR finder and hparams compatibility (#2821)
- Fixed `ModelCheckpoint` not saving the latest information when `save_last=True` (#2881)
- Fixed ImageNet example: learning rate scheduler, number of workers and batch size when using DDP (#2889)
- Fixed apex gradient clipping (#2829)
- Fixed save apex scaler states (#2828)
- Fixed a model loading issue with inheritance and variable positional arguments (#2911)
- Fixed passing `non_blocking=True` when transferring a batch object that does not support it (#2910)
- Fixed checkpointing to remote file paths (#2925)
- Fixed adding val step argument to metrics (#2986)
- Fixed an issue that caused `Trainer.test()` to stall in ddp mode (#2997)
- Fixed gathering of results with tensors of varying shape (#3020)
- Fixed batch size auto-scaling feature to set the new value on the correct model attribute (#3043)
- Fixed automatic batch scaling not working with half precision (#3045)
- Fixed setting device to root gpu (#3042)

## 50.36 [0.8.5] - 2020-07-09

### 50.36.1 [0.8.5] - Added

- Added a PSNR metric: peak signal-to-noise ratio (#2483)
- Added functional regression metrics (#2492)

### 50.36.2 [0.8.5] - Removed

- Removed auto val reduce (#2462)

### 50.36.3 [0.8.5] - Fixed

- Flattening Wandb Hyperparameters (#2459)
- Fixed using the same DDP python interpreter and actually running (#2482)
- Fixed model summary input type conversion for models that have input dtype different from model parameters (#2510)
- Made `TensorBoardLogger` and `CometLogger` pickleable (#2518)
- Fixed a problem with `MLflowLogger` creating multiple run folders (#2502)
- Fixed `global_step` increment (#2455)
- Fixed TPU hanging example (#2488)
- Fixed `argparse` default value bug (#2526)
- Fixed Dice and IoU to avoid NaN by adding small eps (#2545)
- Fixed accumulate gradients schedule at epoch 0 (continued) (#2513)
- Fixed Trainer `.fit()` returning last not best weights in “ddp\_spawn” (#2565)
- Fixed passing (do not pass) TPU weights back on test (#2566)
- Fixed DDP tests and `.test()` (#2512, #2570)

## 50.37 [0.8.4] - 2020-07-01

### 50.37.1 [0.8.4] - Added

- Added reduce ddp results on eval (#2434)
- Added a warning when an `IterableDataset` has `__len__` defined (#2437)

### 50.37.2 [0.8.4] - Changed

- Enabled no returns from eval ([#2446](#))

### 50.37.3 [0.8.4] - Fixed

- Fixes train outputs ([#2428](#))
- Fixes Conda dependencies ([#2412](#))
- Fixed Apex scaling with decoupled backward ([#2433](#))
- Fixed crashing or wrong displaying progressbar because of missing ipywidgets ([#2417](#))
- Fixed TPU saving dir ([fc26078e](#), [04e68f02](#))
- Fixed logging on rank 0 only ([#2425](#))

## 50.38 [0.8.3] - 2020-06-29

### 50.38.1 [0.8.3] - Fixed

- Fixed AMP wrong call ([593837e](#))
- Fixed batch typo ([92d1e75](#))

## 50.39 [0.8.2] - 2020-06-28

### 50.39.1 [0.8.2] - Added

- Added TorchText support for moving data to GPU ([#2379](#))

### 50.39.2 [0.8.2] - Changed

- Changed epoch indexing from 0 instead of 1 ([#2289](#))
- Refactor Model backward ([#2276](#))
- Refactored `training_batch` + tests to verify correctness ([#2327](#), [#2328](#))
- Refactored training loop ([#2336](#))
- Made optimization steps for hooks ([#2363](#))
- Changed default apex level to 'O2' ([#2362](#))

### 50.39.3 [0.8.2] - Removed

- Moved `TrainsLogger` to `Bolts` (#2384)

### 50.39.4 [0.8.2] - Fixed

- Fixed parsing TPU arguments and TPU tests (#2094)
- Fixed number batches in case of multiple dataloaders and `limit_{*}_batches` (#1920, #2226)
- Fixed an issue with forward hooks not being removed after model summary (#2298)
- Fix for `load_from_checkpoint()` not working with absolute path on Windows (#2294)
- Fixed an issue how `_has_len` handles `NotImplementedError` e.g. raised by `torchtext.data.Iterator` (#2293), (#2307)
- Fixed `average_precision` metric (#2319)
- Fixed ROC metric for CUDA tensors (#2304)
- Fixed lost compatibility with custom datatypes implementing `.to` (#2335)
- Fixed loading model with kwargs (#2387)
- Fixed `sum(0)` for `trainer.num_val_batches` (#2268)
- Fixed checking if the parameters are a `DictConfig` Object (#2216)
- Fixed SLURM weights saving (#2341)
- Fixed swaps LR scheduler order (#2356)
- Fixed adding tensorboard hparams logging test (#2342)
- Fixed use model ref for tear down (#2360)
- Fixed logger crash on DDP (#2388)
- Fixed several issues with early stopping and checkpoint callbacks (#1504, #2391)
- Fixed loading past checkpoints from v0.7.x (#2405)
- Fixed loading model without arguments (#2403)
- Fixed Windows compatibility issue (#2358)

## 50.40 [0.8.1] - 2020-06-19

### 50.40.1 [0.8.1] - Fixed

- Fixed the `load_from_checkpoint` path detected as URL bug (#2244)
- Fixed hooks - added barrier (#2245, #2257, #2260)
- Fixed hparams - remove frame inspection on `self.hparams` (#2253)
- Fixed setup and on fit calls (#2252)
- Fixed GPU template (#2255)



## 50.41 [0.8.0] - 2020-06-18

### 50.41.1 [0.8.0] - Added

- Added `overfit_batches`, `limit_{val|test}_batches` flags (overfit now uses training set for all three) (#2213)
- Added metrics
  - Base classes (#1326, #1877)
  - Sklearn metrics classes (#1327)
  - Native torch metrics (#1488, #2062)
  - docs for all Metrics (#2184, #2209)
  - Regression metrics (#2221)
- Allow dataloaders without sampler field present (#1907)
- Added option `save_last` to save the model at the end of every epoch in `ModelCheckpoint` (#1908)
- Early stopping checks `on_validation_end` (#1458)
- Speed up single-core TPU training by loading data using `ParallelLoader` (#2033)
- Added a model hook `transfer_batch_to_device` that enables moving custom data structures to the target device (1756)
- Added `black` formatter for the code with code-checker on pull (1610)
- Added back the slow spawn ddp implementation as `ddp_spawn` (#2115)
- Added loading checkpoints from URLs (#1667)
- Added a callback method `on_keyboard_interrupt` for handling `KeyboardInterrupt` events during training (#2134)
- Added a decorator `auto_move_data` that moves data to the correct device when using the `LightningModule` for inference (#1905)
- Added `ckpt_path` option to `LightningModule.test(...)` to load particular checkpoint (#2190)
- Added `setup` and `teardown` hooks for model (#2229)

### 50.41.2 [0.8.0] - Changed

- Allow user to select individual TPU core to train on (#1729)
- Removed non-finite values from loss in `LRFinder` (#1862)
- Allow passing model hyperparameters as complete kwarg list (#1896)
- Renamed `ModelCheckpoint`'s attributes `best` to `best_model_score` and `kth_best_model` to `kth_best_model_path` (#1799)
- Re-Enable `Logger`'s `ImportErrors` (#1938)
- Changed the default value of the `Trainer` argument `weights_summary` from `full` to `top` (#2029)
- Raise an error when lightning replaces an existing sampler (#2020)
- Enabled `prepare_data` from correct processes - clarify local vs global rank (#2166)

- Remove explicit flush from tensorboard logger (#2126)
- Changed epoch indexing from 1 instead of 0 (#2206)

### 50.41.3 [0.8.0] - Deprecated

- Deprecated flags: (#2213)
  - `overfit_pct` in favour of `overfit_batches`
  - `val_percent_check` in favour of `limit_val_batches`
  - `test_percent_check` in favour of `limit_test_batches`
- Deprecated `ModelCheckpoint`'s attributes `best` and `kth_best_model` (#1799)
- Dropped official support/testing for older PyTorch versions <1.3 (#1917)
- Deprecated `Trainer` `proc_rank` in favour of `global_rank` (#2166, #2269)

### 50.41.4 [0.8.0] - Removed

- Removed unintended `Trainer` argument `progress_bar_callback`, the callback should be passed in by `Trainer(callbacks=[...])` instead (#1855)
- Removed obsolete `self._device` in `Trainer` (#1849)
- Removed deprecated API (#2073)
  - Packages: `pytorch_lightning.pt_overrides`, `pytorch_lightning.root_module`
  - Modules: `pytorch_lightning.logging.comet_logger`, `pytorch_lightning.logging.mlflow_logger`, `pytorch_lightning.logging.test_tube_logger`, `pytorch_lightning.overrides.override_data_parallel`, `pytorch_lightning.core.model_saving`, `pytorch_lightning.core.root_module`
  - `Trainer` arguments: `add_row_log_interval`, `default_save_path`, `gradient_clip`, `nb_gpu_nodes`, `max_nb_epochs`, `min_nb_epochs`, `nb_sanity_val_steps`
  - `Trainer` attributes: `nb_gpu_nodes`, `num_gpu_nodes`, `gradient_clip`, `max_nb_epochs`, `min_nb_epochs`, `nb_sanity_val_steps`, `default_save_path`, `tng_tqdm_dic`

### 50.41.5 [0.8.0] - Fixed

- Run graceful training teardown on interpreter exit (#1631)
- Fixed user warning when apex was used together with learning rate schedulers (#1873)
- Fixed multiple calls of `EarlyStopping` callback (#1863)
- Fixed an issue with `Trainer.from_argparse_args` when passing in unknown `Trainer` args (#1932)
- Fixed bug related to logger not being reset correctly for model after tuner algorithms (#1933)
- Fixed root node resolution for SLURM cluster with dash in host name (#1954)
- Fixed `LearningRateLogger` in multi-scheduler setting (#1944)
- Fixed test configuration check and testing (#1804)
- Fixed an issue with `Trainer` constructor silently ignoring unknown/misspelled arguments (#1820)

- Fixed `save_weights_only` in `ModelCheckpoint` (#1780)
- Allow use of same `WandbLogger` instance for multiple training loops (#2055)
- Fixed an issue with `_auto_collect_arguments` collecting local variables that are not constructor arguments and not working for signatures that have the instance not named `self` (#2048)
- Fixed mistake in parameters' grad norm tracking (#2012)
- Fixed CPU and hanging GPU crash (#2118)
- Fixed an issue with the model summary and `example_input_array` depending on a specific ordering of the submodules in a `LightningModule` (#1773)
- Fixed Tpu logging (#2230)
- Fixed Pid port + duplicate `rank_zero` logging (#2140, #2231)

## 50.42 [0.7.6] - 2020-05-16

### 50.42.1 [0.7.6] - Added

- Added callback for logging learning rates (#1498)
- Added transfer learning example (for a binary classification task in computer vision) (#1564)
- Added type hints in `Trainer.fit()` and `Trainer.test()` to reflect that also a list of dataloaders can be passed in (#1723).
- Added auto scaling of batch size (#1638)
- The progress bar metrics now also get updated in `training_epoch_end` (#1724)
- Enable `NeptuneLogger` to work with `distributed_backend=ddp` (#1753)
- Added option to provide seed to random generators to ensure reproducibility (#1572)
- Added override for hparams in `load_from_ckpt` (#1797)
- Added support multi-node distributed execution under `torchelastic` (#1811, #1818)
- Added using `store_true` for bool args (#1822, #1842)
- Added dummy logger for internally disabling logging for some features (#1836)

### 50.42.2 [0.7.6] - Changed

- Enable `non-blocking` for device transfers to GPU (#1843)
- Replace `meta_tags.csv` with `hparams.yaml` (#1271)
- Reduction when `batch_size < num_gpus` (#1609)
- Updated `LightningTemplateModel` to look more like Colab example (#1577)
- Don't convert `namedtuple` to `tuple` when transferring the batch to target device (#1589)
- Allow passing hparams as keyword argument to `LightningModule` when loading from checkpoint (#1639)
- Args should come after the last positional argument (#1807)
- Made `ddp` the default if no backend specified with multiple GPUs (#1789)

### 50.42.3 [0.7.6] - Deprecated

- Deprecated `tags_csv` in favor of `hparams_file` (#1271)

### 50.42.4 [0.7.6] - Fixed

- Fixed broken link in PR template (#1675)
- Fixed ModelCheckpoint not None checking filepath (#1654)
- Trainer now calls `on_load_checkpoint()` when resuming from a checkpoint (#1666)
- Fixed sampler logic for ddp with iterable dataset (#1734)
- Fixed `_reset_eval_dataloader()` for IterableDataset (#1560)
- Fixed Horovod distributed backend to set the `root_gpu` property (#1669)
- Fixed wandb logger `global_step` affects other loggers (#1492)
- Fixed disabling progress bar on non-zero ranks using Horovod backend (#1709)
- Fixed bugs that prevent lr finder to be used together with early stopping and validation dataloaders (#1676)
- Fixed a bug in Trainer that prepended the checkpoint path with `version_` when it shouldn't (#1748)
- Fixed lr key name in case of param groups in LearningRateLogger (#1719)
- Fixed accumulation parameter and suggestion method for learning rate finder (#1801)
- Fixed num processes wasn't being set properly and auto sampler was ddp failing (#1819)
- Fixed bugs in semantic segmentation example (#1824)
- Fixed saving native AMP scaler state (#1777)
- Fixed native amp + ddp (#1788)
- Fixed hparam logging with metrics (#1647)

## 50.43 [0.7.5] - 2020-04-27

### 50.43.1 [0.7.5] - Changed

- Allow logging of metrics together with `hparams` (#1630)

### 50.43.2 [0.7.5] - Removed

- Removed Warning from trainer loop (#1634)

### 50.43.3 [0.7.5] - Fixed

- Fixed ModelCheckpoint not being fixable (#1632)
- Fixed CPU DDP breaking change and DDP change (#1635)
- Tested pickling (#1636)

## 50.44 [0.7.4] - 2020-04-26

### 50.44.1 [0.7.4] - Added

- Added flag `replace_sampler_ddp` to manually disable sampler replacement in DDP (#1513)
- Added `auto_select_gpus` flag to trainer that enables automatic selection of available GPUs on exclusive mode systems.
- Added learning rate finder (#1347)
- Added support for DDP mode in clusters without SLURM (#1387)
- Added `test_dataloaders` parameter to `Trainer.test()` (#1434)
- Added `terminate_on_nan` flag to trainer that performs a NaN check with each training iteration when set to True (#1475)
- Added speed parity tests (max 1 sec difference per epoch)(#1482)
- Added `ddp_cpu` backend for testing ddp without GPUs (#1158)
- Added Horovod support as a distributed backend `Trainer(distributed_backend='horovod')` (#1529)
- Added support for 8 core distributed training on Kaggle TPU's (#1568)
- Added support for native AMP (#1561, #1580)

### 50.44.2 [0.7.4] - Changed

- Changed the default behaviour to no longer include a NaN check with each training iteration (#1475)
- Decoupled the progress bar from trainer` it is a callback now and can be customized or even be replaced entirely (#1450).
- Changed lr schedule step interval behavior to update every backwards pass instead of every forwards pass (#1477)
- Defines shared proc. rank, remove rank from instances (e.g. loggers) (#1408)
- Updated semantic segmentation example with custom U-Net and logging (#1371)
- Disabled val and test shuffling (#1600)

### 50.44.3 [0.7.4] - Deprecated

- Deprecated `training_tqdm_dict` in favor of `progress_bar_dict` (#1450).

### 50.44.4 [0.7.4] - Removed

- Removed `test_dataloaders` parameter from `Trainer.fit()` (#1434)

### 50.44.5 [0.7.4] - Fixed

- Added the possibility to pass nested metrics dictionaries to loggers (#1582)
- Fixed memory leak from `opt return` (#1528)
- Fixed saving checkpoint before deleting old ones (#1453)
- Fixed loggers - flushing last logged metrics even before continue, e.g. `trainer.test()` results (#1459)
- Fixed optimizer configuration when `configure_optimizers` returns dict without `lr_scheduler` (#1443)
- Fixed `LightningModule` - mixing hparams and arguments in `LightningModule.__init__()` crashes `load_from_checkpoint()` (#1505)
- Added a missing call to the `on_before_zero_grad` model hook (#1493).
- Allow use of sweeps with `WandbLogger` (#1512)
- Fixed a bug that caused the `callbacks` `Trainer` argument to reference a global variable (#1534).
- Fixed a bug that set all boolean CLI arguments from `Trainer.add_argparse_args` always to `True` (#1571)
- Fixed do not copy the batch when training on a single GPU (#1576, #1579)
- Fixed soft checkpoint removing on DDP (#1408)
- Fixed automatic parser bug (#1585)
- Fixed bool conversion from string (#1606)

## 50.45 [0.7.3] - 2020-04-09

### 50.45.1 [0.7.3] - Added

- Added `rank_zero_warn` for warning only in rank 0 (#1428)

### 50.45.2 [0.7.3] - Fixed

- Fixed default `DistributedSampler` for DDP training (#1425)
- Fixed workers warning not on windows (#1430)
- Fixed returning tuple from `run_training_batch` (#1431)
- Fixed gradient clipping (#1438)
- Fixed pretty print (#1441)

## 50.46 [0.7.2] - 2020-04-07

### 50.46.1 [0.7.2] - Added

- Added same step loggers' metrics aggregation (#1278)
- Added parity test between a vanilla MNIST model and lightning model (#1284)
- Added parity test between a vanilla RNN model and lightning model (#1351)
- Added Reinforcement Learning - Deep Q-network (DQN) lightning example (#1232)
- Added support for hierarchical dict (#1152)
- Added `TrainsLogger` class (#1122)
- Added type hints to `pytorch_lightning.core` (#946)
- Added support for `IterableDataset` in validation and testing (#1104)
- Added support for non-primitive types in hparams for `TensorboardLogger` (#1130)
- Added a check that stops the training when loss or weights contain NaN or inf values. (#1097)
- Added support for `IterableDataset` when `val_check_interval=1.0` (default), this will trigger validation at the end of each epoch. (#1283)
- Added `summary` method to `Profilers`. (#1259)
- Added informative errors if user defined dataloader has zero length (#1280)
- Added testing for python 3.8 (#915)
- Added model configuration checking (#1199)
- Added support for optimizer frequencies through `LightningModule.configure_optimizers()` (#1269)
- Added option to run without an optimizer by returning `None` from `configure_optimizers`. (#1279)
- Added a warning when the number of data loader workers is small. (#1378)

### 50.46.2 [0.7.2] - Changed

- Changed (renamed and refactored) `TensorRunningMean` -> `TensorRunningAccum`: running accumulations were generalized. (#1278)
- Changed `progress_bar_refresh_rate` trainer flag to disable progress bar when set to 0. (#1108)
- Enhanced `load_from_checkpoint` to also forward params to the model (#1307)
- Updated references to `self.forward()` to instead use the `__call__` interface. (#1211)
- Changed default behaviour of `configure_optimizers` to use no optimizer rather than Adam. (#1279)
- Allow to upload models on W&B (#1339)
- On DP and DDP2 unsqueeze is automated now (#1319)
- Did not always create a `DataLoader` during reinstantiation, but the same type as before (if subclass of `DataLoader`) (#1346)
- Did not interfere with a default sampler (#1318)
- Remove default Adam optimizer (#1317)
- Give warnings for unimplemented required lightning methods (#1317)
- Made `evaluate` method private >> `Trainer._evaluate(...)`. (#1260)
- Simplify the PL examples structure (shallower and more readable) (#1247)
- Changed min max gpu memory to be on their own plots (#1358)
- Remove `.item` which causes sync issues (#1254)
- Changed smoothing in TQDM to decrease variability of time remaining between training / eval (#1194)
- Change default logger to dedicated one (#1064)

### 50.46.3 [0.7.2] - Deprecated

- Deprecated Trainer argument `print_nan_grads` (#1097)
- Deprecated Trainer argument `show_progress_bar` (#1108)

### 50.46.4 [0.7.2] - Removed

- Removed test for no test dataloader in `.fit` (#1495)
- Removed duplicated module `pytorch_lightning.utilities.arg_parse` for loading CLI arguments (#1167)
- Removed wandb logger's `finalize` method (#1193)
- Dropped `torchvision` dependency in tests and added own MNIST dataset class instead (#986)



## 50.46.5 [0.7.2] - Fixed

- Fixed `model_checkpoint` when saving all models (#1359)
- `Trainer.add_argparse_args` classmethod fixed. Now it adds a type for the arguments (#1147)
- Fixed bug related to type checking of `ReduceLROnPlateau` lr schedulers (#1126)
- Fixed a bug to ensure lightning checkpoints to be backward compatible (#1132)
- Fixed a bug that created an extra dataloader with active `reload_dataloaders_every_epoch` (#1196)
- Fixed all warnings and errors in the docs build process (#1191)
- Fixed an issue where `val_percent_check=0` would not disable validation (#1251)
- Fixed average of incomplete `TensorRunningMean` (#1309)
- Fixed `WandbLogger.watch` with `wandb.init()` (#1311)
- Fixed an issue with early stopping that would prevent it from monitoring training metrics when validation is disabled / not implemented (#1235).
- Fixed a bug that would cause `trainer.test()` to run on the validation set when overloading `validation_epoch_end` and `test_end` (#1353)
- Fixed `WandbLogger.watch` - use of the `watch` method without importing `wandb` (#1311)
- Fixed `WandbLogger` to be used with 'ddp' - allow reinit in sub-processes (#1149, #1360)
- Made `training_epoch_end` behave like `validation_epoch_end` (#1357)
- Fixed `fast_dev_run` running validation twice (#1365)
- Fixed pickle error from quick patch `__code__` (#1352)
- Fixed memory leak on GPU0 (#1094, #1349)
- Fixed checkpointing interval (#1272)
- Fixed validation and training loops run the partial dataset (#1192)
- Fixed running `on_validation_end` only on main process in DDP (#1125)
- Fixed `load_spawn_weights` only in proc rank 0 (#1385)
- Fixes using deprecated `use_amp` attribute (#1145)
- Fixed Tensorboard logger error: `lightning_logs` directory not exists in multi-node DDP on nodes with rank != 0 (#1377)
- Fixed `Unimplemented backend XLA` error on TPU (#1387)

## 50.47 [0.7.1] - 2020-03-07

### 50.47.1 [0.7.1] - Fixed

- Fixes print issues and `data_loader` (#1080)

## 50.48 [0.7.0] - 2020-03-06

### 50.48.1 [0.7.0] - Added

- Added automatic sampler setup. Depending on DDP or TPU, lightning configures the sampler correctly (user needs to do nothing) (#926)
- Added `reload_dataloaders_every_epoch=False` flag for trainer. Some users require reloading data every epoch (#926)
- Added `progress_bar_refresh_rate=50` flag for trainer. Throttle refresh rate on notebooks (#926)
- Updated governance docs
- Added a check to ensure that the metric used for early stopping exists before training commences (#542)
- Added `optimizer_idx` argument to backward hook (#733)
- Added `entity` argument to `WandbLogger` to be passed to `wandb.init` (#783)
- Added a tool for profiling training runs (#782)
- Improved flexibility for naming of TensorBoard logs, can now set `version` to a `str` to just save to that directory, and use `name=' '` to prevent experiment-name directory (#804)
- Added option to specify `step` key when logging metrics (#808)
- Added `train_dataloader`, `val_dataloader` and `test_dataloader` arguments to `Trainer.fit()`, for alternative data parsing (#759)
- Added Tensor Processing Unit (TPU) support (#868)
- Added semantic segmentation example (#751, #876, #881)
- Split callbacks in multiple files (#849)
- Support for user defined callbacks (#889 and #950)
- Added support for multiple loggers to be passed to `Trainer` as an iterable (e.g. list, tuple, etc.) (#903)
- Added support for step-based learning rate scheduling (#941)
- Added support for logging `hparams` as `dict` (#1029)
- Checkpoint and early stopping now work without `val. step` (#1041)
- Support graceful training cleanup after Keyboard Interrupt (#856, #1019)
- Added type hints for function arguments (#912, )
- Added default `argparser` for `Trainer` (#952, #1023)
- Added TPU gradient clipping (#963)
- Added max/min number of steps in `Trainer` (#728)

### 50.48.2 [0.7.0] - Changed

- Improved NeptuneLogger by adding `close_after_fit` argument to allow logging after training(#908)
- Changed default TQDM to use `tqdm.auto` for prettier outputs in IPython notebooks (#752)
- Changed `pytorch_lightning.logging` to `pytorch_lightning.loggers` (#767)
- Moved the default `tqdm_dict` definition from Trainer to LightningModule, so it can be overridden by the user (#749)
- Moved functionality of `LightningModule.load_from_metrics` into `LightningModule.load_from_checkpoint` (#995)
- Changed Checkpoint path parameter from `filepath` to `dirpath` (#1016)
- Freezed models hparams as Namespace property (#1029)
- Dropped logging config in package init (#1015)
- Renames model steps (#1051)
  - `training_end` >> `training_epoch_end`
  - `validation_end` >> `validation_epoch_end`
  - `test_end` >> `test_epoch_end`
- Refactor dataloading, supports infinite dataloader (#955)
- Create single file in TensorBoardLogger (#777)

### 50.48.3 [0.7.0] - Deprecated

- Deprecated `pytorch_lightning.logging` (#767)
- Deprecated `LightningModule.load_from_metrics` in favour of `LightningModule.load_from_checkpoint` (#995, #1079)
- Deprecated `@data_loader` decorator (#926)
- Deprecated model steps `training_end`, `validation_end` and `test_end` (#1051, #1056)

### 50.48.4 [0.7.0] - Removed

- Removed dependency on pandas (#736)
- Removed dependency on torchvision (#797)
- Removed dependency on scikit-learn (#801)

## 50.48.5 [0.7.0] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug where early stopping `on_end_epoch` would be called inconsistently when `check_val_every_n_epoch == 0` (#743)
- Fixed a bug where the model checkpointer didn't write to the same directory as the logger (#771)
- Fixed a bug where the `TensorBoardLogger` class would create an additional empty log file during fitting (#777)
- Fixed a bug where `global_step` was advanced incorrectly when using `accumulate_grad_batches > 1` (#832)
- Fixed a bug when calling `self.logger.experiment` with multiple loggers (#1009)
- Fixed a bug when calling `logger.append_tags` on a `NeptuneLogger` with a single tag (#1009)
- Fixed sending back data from `.spawn` by saving and loading the trained model in/out of the process (#1017)
- Fixed port collision on DDP (#1010)
- Fixed/tested pass overrides (#918)
- Fixed comet logger to log after train (#892)
- Remove deprecated args to learning rate step function (#890)

## 50.49 [0.6.0] - 2020-01-21

### 50.49.1 [0.6.0] - Added

- Added support for resuming from a specific checkpoint via `resume_from_checkpoint` argument (#516)
- Added support for `ReduceLROnPlateau` scheduler (#320)
- Added support for Apex mode O2 in conjunction with Data Parallel (#493)
- Added option (`save_top_k`) to save the top k models in the `ModelCheckpoint` class (#128)
- Added `on_train_start` and `on_train_end` hooks to `ModelHooks` (#598)
- Added `TensorBoardLogger` (#607)
- Added support for weight summary of model with multiple inputs (#543)
- Added `map_location` argument to `load_from_metrics` and `load_from_checkpoint` (#625)
- Added option to disable validation by setting `val_percent_check=0` (#649)
- Added `NeptuneLogger` class (#648)
- Added `WandbLogger` class (#627)

### 50.49.2 [0.6.0] - Changed

- Changed the default progress bar to print to stdout instead of stderr (#531)
- Renamed `step_idx` to `step`, `epoch_idx` to `epoch`, `max_num_epochs` to `max_epochs` and `min_num_epochs` to `min_epochs` (#589)
- Renamed `total_batch_nb` to `total_batches`, `nb_val_batches` to `num_val_batches`, `nb_training_batches` to `num_training_batches`, `max_nb_epochs` to `max_epochs`, `min_nb_epochs` to `min_epochs`, `nb_test_batches` to `num_test_batches`, and `nb_val_batches` to `num_val_batches` (#567)
- Changed gradient logging to use parameter names instead of indexes (#660)
- Changed the default logger to `TensorBoardLogger` (#609)
- Changed the directory for tensorboard logging to be the same as model checkpointing (#706)

### 50.49.3 [0.6.0] - Deprecated

- Deprecated `max_nb_epochs` and `min_nb_epochs` (#567)
- Deprecated the `on_sanity_check_start` hook in `ModelHooks` (#598)

### 50.49.4 [0.6.0] - Removed

- Removed the `save_best_only` argument from `ModelCheckpoint`, use `save_top_k=1` instead (#128)

### 50.49.5 [0.6.0] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug which occurred when using Adagrad with cuda (#554)
- Fixed a bug where training would be on the GPU despite setting `gpus=0` or `gpus=[]` (#561)
- Fixed an error with `print_nan_gradients` when some parameters do not require gradient (#579)
- Fixed a bug where the progress bar would show an incorrect number of total steps during the validation sanity check when using multiple validation data loaders (#597)
- Fixed support for PyTorch 1.1.0 (#552)
- Fixed an issue with early stopping when using a `val_check_interval < 1.0` in `Trainer` (#492)
- Fixed bugs relating to the `CometLogger` object that would cause it to not work properly (#481)
- Fixed a bug that would occur when returning `-1` from `on_batch_start` following an early exit or when the batch was `None` (#509)
- Fixed a potential race condition with several processes trying to create checkpoint directories (#530)
- Fixed a bug where batch 'segments' would remain on the GPU when using `truncated_bptt > 1` (#532)
- Fixed a bug when using `IterableDataset` (#547)
- Fixed a bug where `.item` was called on non-tensor objects (#602)
- Fixed a bug where `Trainer.train` would crash on an uninitialized variable if the trainer was run after resuming from a checkpoint that was already at `max_epochs` (#608)
- Fixed a bug where early stopping would begin two epochs early (#617)

- Fixed a bug where `num_training_batches` and `num_test_batches` would sometimes be rounded down to zero (#649)
- Fixed a bug where an additional batch would be processed when manually setting `num_training_batches` (#653)
- Fixed a bug when batches did not have a `.copy` method (#701)
- Fixed a bug when using `log_gpu_memory=True` in Python 3.6 (#715)
- Fixed a bug where checkpoint writing could exit before completion, giving incomplete checkpoints (#689)
- Fixed a bug where `on_train_end` was not called when early stopping (#723)

## 50.50 [0.5.3] - 2019-11-06

### 50.50.1 [0.5.3] - Added

- Added option to disable default logger, checkpointer, and early stopping by passing `logger=False`, `checkpoint_callback=False` and `early_stop_callback=False` respectively
- Added `CometLogger` for use with Comet.ml
- Added `val_check_interval` argument to `Trainer` allowing validation to be performed at every given number of batches
- Added functionality to save and load hyperparameters using the standard checkpoint mechanism
- Added call to `torch.cuda.empty_cache` before training starts
- Added option for user to override the call to `backward`
- Added support for truncated backprop through time via the `truncated_bptt_steps` argument in `Trainer`
- Added option to operate on all outputs from `training_step` in DDP2
- Added a hook for modifying DDP init
- Added a hook for modifying Apex

### 50.50.2 [0.5.3] - Changed

- Changed experiment version to be padded with zeros (e.g. `/dir/version_9` becomes `/dir/version_0009`)
- Changed callback metrics to include any metrics given in logs or progress bar
- Changed the default for `save_best_only` in `ModelCheckpoint` to `True`
- Added `tnng_data_loader` for backwards compatibility
- Renamed `MLFlowLogger.client` to `MLFlowLogger.experiment` for consistency
- Moved `global_step` increment to happen after the batch has been processed
- Changed weights restore to first attempt HPC weights before restoring normally, preventing both weights being restored and running out of memory
- Changed progress bar functionality to add multiple progress bars for train/val/test
- Changed calls to `print` to use `logging` instead

### 50.50.3 [0.5.3] - Deprecated

- Deprecated `tng_dataloader`

### 50.50.4 [0.5.3] - Fixed

- Fixed an issue where the number of batches was off by one during training
- Fixed a bug that occurred when setting a checkpoint callback and `early_stop_callback=False`
- Fixed an error when importing `CometLogger`
- Fixed a bug where the `gpus` argument had some unexpected behaviour
- Fixed a bug where the computed total number of batches was sometimes incorrect
- Fixed a bug where the progress bar would sometimes not show the total number of batches in test mode
- Fixed a bug when using the `log_gpu_memory='min_max'` option in `Trainer`
- Fixed a bug where checkpointing would sometimes erase the current directory

## 50.51 [0.5.2] - 2019-10-10

### 50.51.1 [0.5.2] - Added

- Added `weights_summary` argument to `Trainer` to be set to `full` (full summary), `top` (just top level modules) or `other`
- Added `tags` argument to `MLFlowLogger`

### 50.51.2 [0.5.2] - Changed

- Changed default for `amp_level` to `O1`

### 50.51.3 [0.5.2] - Removed

- Removed the `print_weights_summary` argument from `Trainer`

### 50.51.4 [0.5.2] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug where logs were not written properly
- Fixed a bug where `logger.finalize` wasn't called after training is complete
- Fixed callback metric errors in DDP
- Fixed a bug where `TestTubeLogger` didn't log to the correct directory

## 50.52 [0.5.1] - 2019-10-05

### 50.52.1 [0.5.1] - Added

- Added the `LightningLoggerBase` class for experiment loggers
- Added `MLFlowLogger` for logging with `mlflow`
- Added `TestTubeLogger` for logging with `test_tube`
- Added a different implementation of DDP (`distributed_backend='ddp2'`) where every node has one model using all GPUs
- Added support for optimisers which require a closure (e.g. LBFGS)
- Added automatic `MASTER_PORT` default for DDP when not set manually
- Added new GPU memory logging options `'min_max'` (log only the min/max utilization) and `'all'` (log all the GPU memory)

### 50.52.2 [0.5.1] - Changed

- Changed schedulers to always be called with the current epoch
- Changed `test_tube` to an optional dependency
- Changed data loaders to internally use a getter instead of a python property
- Disabled auto GPU loading when restoring weights to prevent out of memory errors
- Changed logging, early stopping and checkpointing to occur by default

### 50.52.3 [0.5.1] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug with samplers that do not specify `set_epoch`
- Fixed a bug when using the `MLFlowLogger` with unsupported data types, this will now raise a warning
- Fixed a bug where gradient norms were always zero using `track_grad_norm`
- Fixed a bug which causes a crash when logging memory

## 50.53 [0.5.0] - 2019-09-26

### 50.53.1 [0.5.0] - Changed

- Changed `data_batch` argument to `batch` throughout
- Changed `batch_i` argument to `batch_idx` throughout
- Changed `tng_dataloader` method to `train_dataloader`
- Changed `on_tng_metrics` method to `on_training_metrics`
- Changed `gradient_clip` argument to `gradient_clip_val`
- Changed `add_log_row_interval` to `row_log_interval`



### 50.53.2 [0.5.0] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug with tensorboard logging in multi-gpu setup

## 50.54 [0.4.9] - 2019-09-16

### 50.54.1 [0.4.9] - Added

- Added the flag `log_gpu_memory` to `Trainer` to deactivate logging of GPU memory utilization
- Added SLURM resubmit functionality (port from test-tube)
- Added optional `weight_save_path` to trainer to remove the need for a `checkpoint_callback` when using cluster training
- Added option to use single gpu per node with `DistributedDataParallel`

### 50.54.2 [0.4.9] - Changed

- Changed functionality of `validation_end` and `test_end` with multiple dataloaders to be given all of the dataloaders at once rather than in separate calls
- Changed `print_nan_grads` to only print the parameter value and gradients when they contain NaN
- Changed gpu API to take integers as well (e.g. `gpus=2` instead of `gpus=[0, 1]`)
- All models now loaded on to CPU to avoid device and out of memory issues in PyTorch

### 50.54.3 [0.4.9] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug where data types that implement `.to` but not `.cuda` would not be properly moved onto the GPU
- Fixed a bug where data would not be re-shuffled every epoch when using a `DistributedSampler`

## 50.55 [0.4.8] - 2019-08-31

### 50.55.1 [0.4.8] - Added

- Added `test_step` and `test_end` methods, used when `Trainer.test` is called
- Added `GradientAccumulationScheduler` callback which can be used to schedule changes to the number of accumulation batches
- Added option to skip the validation sanity check by setting `nb_sanity_val_steps = 0`

### 50.55.2 [0.4.8] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug when setting `nb_sanity_val_steps = 0`

## 50.56 [0.4.7] - 2019-08-24

### 50.56.1 [0.4.7] - Changed

- Changed the default `val_check_interval` to `1.0`
- Changed defaults for `nb_val_batches`, `nb_tng_batches` and `nb_test_batches` to `0`

### 50.56.2 [0.4.7] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug where the full validation set as used despite setting `val_percent_check`
- Fixed a bug where an `Exception` was thrown when using a data set containing a single batch
- Fixed a bug where an `Exception` was thrown if no `val_dataloader` was given
- Fixed a bug where tuples were not properly transfered to the GPU
- Fixed a bug where data of a non standard type was not properly handled by the trainer
- Fixed a bug when loading data as a tuple
- Fixed a bug where `AttributeError` could be suppressed by the Trainer

## 50.57 [0.4.6] - 2019-08-15

### 50.57.1 [0.4.6] - Added

- Added support for data to be given as a `dict` or `list` with a single `gpu`
- Added support for `configure_optimizers` to return a single optimizer, two list (optimizers and schedulers), or a single list

### 50.57.2 [0.4.6] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug where returning just an optimizer list (i.e. without schedulers) from `configure_optimizers` would throw an `Exception`

## 50.58 [0.4.5] - 2019-08-13

### 50.58.1 [0.4.5] - Added

- Added `optimizer_step` method that can be overridden to change the standard optimizer behaviour

## 50.59 [0.4.4] - 2019-08-12

### 50.59.1 [0.4.4] - Added

- Added support for multiple validation dataloaders
- Added support for latest test-tube logger (optimised for `torch==1.2.0`)

### 50.59.2 [0.4.4] - Changed

- `validation_step` and `val_dataloader` are now optional
- `lr_scheduler` is now activated after epoch

### 50.59.3 [0.4.4] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug where a warning would show when using `lr_scheduler` in `torch>1.1.0`
- Fixed a bug where an `Exception` would be thrown if using `torch.DistributedDataParallel` without using a `DistributedSampler`, this now throws a `Warning` instead

## 50.60 [0.4.3] - 2019-08-10

### 50.60.1 [0.4.3] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug where accumulate gradients would scale the loss incorrectly

## 50.61 [0.4.2] - 2019-08-08

### 50.61.1 [0.4.2] - Changed

- Changed install requirement to `torch==1.2.0`

## 50.62 [0.4.1] - 2019-08-08

### 50.62.1 [0.4.1] - Changed

- Changed install requirement to `torch==1.1.0`

## 50.63 [0.4.0] - 2019-08-08

### 50.63.1 [0.4.0] - Added

- Added 16-bit support for a single GPU
- Added support for training continuation (preserves epoch, global step etc.)

### 50.63.2 [0.4.0] - Changed

- Changed `training_step` and `validation_step`, outputs will no longer be automatically reduced

### 50.63.3 [0.4.0] - Removed

- Removed need for `Experiment` object in `Trainer`

### 50.63.4 [0.4.0] - Fixed

- Fixed issues with reducing outputs from generative models (such as images and text)

## 50.64 [0.3.6] - 2019-07-25

### 50.64.1 [0.3.6] - Added

- Added a decorator to do lazy data loading internally

### 50.64.2 [0.3.6] - Fixed

- Fixed a bug where `Experiment` object was not process safe, potentially causing logs to be overwritten

50.65 [0.3.5] - 2019-07-25

50.66 [0.3.4] - 2019-07-22

50.67 [0.3.3] - 2019-07-22

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