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Chapter 1. Introduction

The following samples show how to use NVIDIA[®] TensorRT[™] in numerous use cases while highlighting different capabilities of the interface.

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Note: The TensorRT samples are provided for illustrative purposes only and are not meant to be used nor taken as examples of production quality code.

Title	TensorRT Sample Name	Description
<u>trtexec</u>	trtexec	A tool to quickly utilize TensorRT without having to develop your own application.
<u>"Hello World" For TensorRT</u>	sampleMNIST	Performs the basic setup and initialization of TensorRT using the Caffe parser.
Building A Simple MNIST Network Layer By Layer	sampleMNISTAPI	Uses the TensorRT API to build an MNIST (handwritten digit recognition) layer by layer, sets up weights and inputs/outputs and then performs inference.
Importing The TensorFlow Model And Running Inference	sampleUffMNIST	Imports a TensorFlow model trained on the MNIST dataset.
<u>"Hello World" For TensorRT</u> From ONNX	sampleOnnxMNIST	Converts a model trained on the MNIST dataset in ONNX format to a TensorRT network.
Building And Running GoogleNet In TensorRT	sampleGoogleNet	Shows how to import a model trained with Caffe into TensorRT using GoogleNet as an example.
Building An RNN Network Layer By Layer	sampleCharRNN	Uses the TensorRT API to build an RNN network layer by layer, sets up weights and inputs/ outputs and then performs inference.
Performing Inference In INT8 Using Custom Calibration	sampleINT8	Performs INT8 calibration and inference. Calibrates a network for execution in INT8.

Title	TensorRT Sample Name	Description
Performing Inference In INT8 Precision	sampleINT8API	Sets per tensor dynamic range and computation precision of a layer.
<u>Object Detection With Faster</u> <u>R-CNN</u>	sampleFasterRCNN	Uses TensorRT plugins, performs inference and implements a fused custom layer for end-to-end inferencing of a Faster R-CNN model.
Object Detection With A TensorFlow SSD Network	sampleUffSSD	Preprocesses the TensorFlow SSD network, performs inference on the SSD network in TensorRT and uses TensorRT plugins to speed up inference.
Object Detection With SSD	sampleSSD	Preprocesses the input to the SSD network, performs inference on the SSD network in TensorRT, uses TensorRT plugins to speed up inference, and performs INT8 calibration on an SSD network.
Specifying I/O Formats	sampleIOFormats	Uses a Caffe model that was trained on the <u>MNIST dataset</u> and performs engine building and inference using TensorRT. The correctness of outputs is then compared to the golden reference.
Adding A Custom Layer That Supports INT8 I/O To Your Network In TensorRT	sampleUffPluginV2Ext	Demonstrates how to extend INT8 I/O for a plugin that is introduced in TensorRT 6.x.x.
Digit Recognition With Dynamic Shapes In TensorRT	sampleDynamicReshape	Demonstrates how to use dynamic input dimensions in TensorRT by creating an engine for resizing dynamically shaped inputs to the correct size for an ONNX MNIST model.
Object Detection And Instance Segmentation With A TensorFlow Mask R-CNN Network	sampleUffMaskRCNN	Performs inference on the Mask R-CNN network in TensorRT. Mask R-CNN is based on the <u>Mask R-CNN</u> paper which performs the task of object detection and object mask predictions on a target image.
Object Detection With A TensorFlow Faster R-CNN Network	sampleUffFasterRCNN	Serves as a demo of how to use a pre-trained Faster-RCNN

Title	TensorRT Sample Name	Description
		model in NVIDIA TAO to do inference with TensorRT.
<u>Algorithm Selection API</u> <u>Usage Example Based On</u> <u>sampleMNIST In TensorRT</u>	sampleAlgorithmSelector	End-to-end example of how to use the algorithm selection API based on sampleMNIST.
Introduction To Importing Caffe, TensorFlow And ONNX Models Into TensorRT Using Python	introductory_parser_samples	Uses TensorRT and its included suite of parsers (the UFF, Caffe and ONNX parsers), to perform inference with ResNet-50 models trained with various different frameworks.
<u>"Hello World" For TensorRT</u> <u>Using TensorFlow And Python</u>	end_to_end_tensorflow_mnist	An end-to-end sample that trains a model in TensorFlow and Keras, freezes the model and writes it to a protobuf file, converts it to UFF, and finally runs inference using TensorRT.
<u>"Hello World" For TensorRT</u> <u>Using PyTorch And Python</u>	network_api_pytorch_mnist	An end-to-end sample that trains a model in PyTorch, recreates the network in TensorRT, imports weights from the trained model, and finally runs inference with a TensorRT engine.
<u>Adding A Custom Layer To</u> <u>Your TensorFlow Network In</u> <u>TensorRT In Python</u>	uff_custom_plugin	Implements a clip layer (as a NVIDIA CUDA [®] kernel) wraps the implementation in a TensorRT plugin (with a corresponding plugin creator), and generates a shared library module containing its code.
<u>Object Detection With The</u> <u>ONNX TensorRT Backend In</u> <u>Python</u>	yolov3_onnx	Implements a full ONNX- based pipeline for performing inference with the <u>YOLOv3-608</u> network, including pre and post- processing.
<u>Object Detection With SSD In</u> <u>Python</u>	uff_ssd	Implements a full UFF-based pipeline for performing inference with an SSD (InceptionV2 feature extractor) network. The sample downloads a trained ssd_inception_v2_coco_2017_11 model and uses it to perform inference. Additionally, it superimposes bounding boxes

Title	TensorRT Sample Name	Description
		on the input image as a post- processing step.
INT8 Calibration In Python	int8_caffe_mnist	Demonstrates how to calibrate an engine to run in INT8 mode.
<u>Refitting An Engine In Python</u>	engine_refit_mnist	Trains an MNIST model in PyTorch, recreates the network in TensorRT with dummy weights, and finally refits the TensorRT engine with weights from the model.
<u>TensorRT Inference Of ONNX</u> <u>Models With Custom Layers In</u> <u>Python</u>	onnx_packnet	Uses TensorRT to perform inference with a PackNet network. This sample demonstrates the use of custom layers in ONNX graphs and processing them using ONNX-graphsurgeon API.
<u>Refitting An Engine Built From</u> <u>An ONNX Model In Python</u>	engine_refit_onnx_bidaf	Builds an engine from the ONNX BiDAF model, refits the TensorRT engine with weights from the model.
Scalable And Efficient Object Detection With EfficientDet Networks In Python	efficientdet	Sample application to demonstrate conversion and execution of Google [®] EfficientDet models with TensorRT.
Scalable And Efficient Image Classification With EfficientNet Networks In Python	efficientnet	Sample application to demonstrate conversion and execution of a Google EfficientNet model with TensorRT.
Implementing CoordConv in TensorRT with a custom plugin using sampleOnnxMnistCoordConvAC In TensorRT	sampleOnnxMnistCoordConvAC	Contains custom CoordConv layers. It converts a model trained on the MNIST dataset in ONNX format to a TensorRT network and runs inference on the network.
Object Detection with TensorFlow Object Detection API Model Zoo Networks in Python	tensorflow_object_detection_a	Demonstrates the conversion and execution of the Tensorflow Object Detection API Model Zoo models with TensorRT.
Object Detection with Detectron 2 Mask R-CNN R50- FPN 3x Network in Python	detectron2	Demonstrates the conversion and execution of the Detectron 2 Model Zoo Mask R-CNN R50-FPN 3x model with TensorRT.

Title	TensorRT Sample Name	Description
<u>Using The Cudla API To Run A</u> <u>TensorRT Engine</u>	sampleCudla	Sample application to construct a network of a single ElementWise layer and build the engine. The engine runs in DLA standalone mode using cuDLA runtime.
Working With ONNX Models With Named Input Dimensions	sampleNamedDimensions	An example of parsing an ONNX model with named input dimensions and building the engine for it.

1.1. Getting Started With C++ Samples

You can find the C++ samples in the /usr/src/tensorrt/samples package directory as well as on <u>GitHub</u>. The following C++ samples are shipped with TensorRT.

- <u>"Hello World" For TensorRT</u>
- Building A Simple MNIST Network Layer By Layer
- Importing The TensorFlow Model And Running Inference
- <u>"Hello World" For TensorRT From ONNX</u>
- Building And Running GoogleNet In TensorRT
- Building An RNN Network Layer By Layer
- Performing Inference In INT8 Using Custom Calibration
- Performing Inference In INT8 Precision
- Object Detection With Faster R-CNN
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- Digit Recognition With Dynamic Shapes In TensorRT
- Object Detection And Instance Segmentation With A TensorFlow Mask R-CNN Network
- Object Detection With A TensorFlow Faster R-CNN Network
- Algorithm Selection API Usage Example Based On sampleMNIST In TensorRT¹
- Implementing CoordConv in TensorRT with a custom plugin using sampleOnnxMnistCoordConvAC In TensorRT
- Using The Cudla API To Run A TensorRT Engine
- Working With ONNX Models With Named Input Dimensions

¹ This sample is located in the release product package only.

Getting Started With C++ Samples

Every C++ sample includes a README.md file in <u>GitHub</u> that provides detailed information about how the sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

Running C++ Samples on Linux

If you installed TensorRT using the Debian files, copy /usr/src/tensorrt to a new directory first before building the C++ samples. If you installed TensorRT using the tar file, then the samples are located in {TAR_EXTRACT_PATH}/samples. To build all the samples and then run one of the samples, use the following commands:

```
$ cd <samples_dir>
$ make -j4
$ cd ../bin
$ ./<sample_bin>
```

Running C++ Samples on Windows

All of the C++ samples on Windows are provided as Visual Studio Solution files. To build a sample, open its corresponding Visual Studio Solution file and build the solution. The output executable will be generated in $(\texttt{ZIP}_\texttt{EXTRACT}_\texttt{PATH})$ \bin. You can then run the executable directly or through Visual Studio.

1.2. Getting Started With Python Samples

You can find the Python samples in the /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python package directory. The following Python samples are shipped with TensorRT.

- Introduction To Importing Caffe, TensorFlow And ONNX Models Into TensorRT Using Python
- <u>"Hello World" For TensorRT Using TensorFlow And Python</u>
- <u>"Hello World" For TensorRT Using PyTorch And Python</u>
- Adding A Custom Layer To Your TensorFlow Network In TensorRT In Python
- Object Detection With The ONNX TensorRT Backend In Python
- Object Detection With SSD In Python
- INT8 Calibration In Python
- Refitting An Engine In Python
- TensorRT Inference Of ONNX Models With Custom Layers In Python
- Refitting An Engine Built From An ONNX Model In Python
- Scalable And Efficient Object Detection With EfficientDet Networks In Python

- Scalable And Efficient Image Classification With EfficientNet Networks In Python
- Object Detection with TensorFlow Object Detection API Model Zoo Networks in Python
- Object Detection with Detectron 2 Mask R-CNN R50-FPN 3x Network in Python

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Running Python Samples

To run one of the Python samples, the process typically involves two steps:

- 1. Install the sample requirements:
 python<x> -m pip install -r requirements.txt
 where python<x> is either python2 or python3.
- Run the sample code with the data directory provided if the TensorRT sample data is not in the default location. For example: python<x> sample.py [-d DATA_DIR]

For more information on running samples, see the README.md file included with the sample.

Chapter 2. Cross Compiling Samples

The following sections show how to cross-compile TensorRT samples for AArch64 QNX and Linux platforms under x86_64 Linux.

2.1. Prerequisites

This section provides step-by-step instructions to ensure you meet the minimum requirements to cross-compile.

1. Install the CUDA cross-platform toolkit for the corresponding target and set the environment variable CUDA INSTALL DIR.

```
$ export CUDA_INSTALL_DIR="your cuda install dir"
```

Where CUDA INSTALL DIR is set to /usr/local/cuda by default.



Note: If you are installing TensorRT using the network repository, then it's best if you install the cuda-toolkit-X-Y and cuda-cross-<arch>-X-Y packages first to ensure you have all CUDA dependencies required to build the TensorRT samples.

2. Install the cuDNN cross-platform libraries for the corresponding target and set the environment variable CUDNN INSTALL DIR.

```
$ export CUDNN_INSTALL_DIR="your cudnn install dir"
```

Where CUDNN_INSTALL_DIR is set to CUDA_INSTALL_DIR by default.

 Install the TensorRT cross-compilation Debian packages for the corresponding target.

Note: If you are using the tar file release for the target platform, then you can safely skip this step. The tar file release already includes the cross-compile libraries so no additional packages are required.

QNX AArch64

tensorrt-dev-cross-qnx

Linux AArch64

tensorrt-dev-cross-aarch64

Linux SBSA

tensorrt-dev-cross-sbsa

2.2. Building Samples For QNX AArch64

This section provides step-by-step instructions to build samples for QNX users.

1. Download the QNX tool-chain and export the following environment variables.

```
$ export QNX_HOST=/path/to/your/qnx/toolchain/host/linux/x86_64
$ export QNX_TARGET=/path/to/your/qnx/toolchain/target/qnx7
```

- 2. Build the samples by issuing:
 - \$ cd /path/to/TensorRT/samples \$ make TARGET=qnx

2.3. Building Samples For Linux SBSA

This section provides step-by-step instructions to build samples for Linux SBSA users.

1. Install the corresponding GCC compiler, aarch64-linux-gnu-g++. In Ubuntu, this can be installed via:

\$ sudo apt-get install g++-aarch64-linux-gnu

2. Build the samples by issuing:

```
$ cd /path/to/TensorRT/samples
$ make TARGET=aarch64 ARMSERVER=1 DLSW_TRIPLE=aarch64-linux-gnu CUDA_TRIPLE=sbsa-linux
CUBLAS_TRIPLE=sbsa-linux CUDA_INSTALL_DIR=<cuda-cross-dir> CUDNN_INSTALL_DIR=<cudnn-
cross-dir>
```

Chapter 3. Building Samples Using Static Libraries

The following section demonstrates how to build the TensorRT samples using the TensorRT static libraries, including cuDNN and other CUDA libraries that are statically linked. The TensorRT samples can be used as a guideline for how to build your own application using the TensorRT static libraries, if you choose.

Note: You must use the tar package if you wish to build the TensorRT samples statically because some libraries are not included in the Debian or RPM packages including some required dependent static libraries and linker scripts. Also, building the TensorRT samples statically is only supported on Linux x86 platforms and not AArch64 or PowerPC at this time.

To build the TensorRT samples using the TensorRT static libraries, you can use the following command when you are building the samples.

You should append any other Make arguments you would normally include, such as TARGET to indicate the CPU architecture or CUDA_INSTALL_DIR to indicate where CUDA has been installed on your system. The static sample binaries created by the TRT_STATIC make option will have the suffix _static appended to the filename in the output directory to distinguish them from the dynamic sample binaries.

3.1. Limitations

It is required that the same major.minor version of the CUDA toolkit that was used to build TensorRT is used to build your application. Since symbols cannot be hidden or duplicated in a static binary, like they can for dynamic libraries, using the same CUDA toolkit version reduces the chance of symbol conflicts, incompatibilities, or undesired behaviors.

If you are including <code>libnvinfer_static.a</code> and <code>libnvinfer_plugin_static.a</code> in your linker command line, then consider using the following linker flags to ensure that all CUDA kernels and TensorRT plug-ins are included in your final application. -W1,-whole-archive -lnvinfer static -W1,-no-whole-archive

-Wl,-whole-archive -lnvinfer_plugin_static -Wl,-no-whole-archive

When linking with the cuDNN static library, <code>libcudnn_static.a</code> should be linked with the following whole-archive linker flag for best possible performance. Refer to the <u>cuDNN</u> <u>8.x.x Release Notes</u> for more information.

-Wl,-whole-archive -lcudnn_static -Wl,-no-whole-archive

For platforms where TensorRT was built with less than CUDA 11.6 or CUDA 11.4 on Linux x86_64, if <code>libnvrtc.so.*</code> cannot be found in the library search path, then TensorRT automatically disables some features that require NVRTC (see list below). If these features are required for your application, then you must provide the NVRTC library at runtime.

- Loops
- Boolean operations
- PointWise fusions
- Fusions that depend on PointWise fusion. For example, Convolution or FullyConnected operations fused with the subsequent PointWise operation.

When libnvrtc static.a, libnvrtc-builtins static.a or

libnvptxcompiler_static.a is present in the CUDA Toolkit, it is required to link to the TensorRT static libraries. Refer to the <u>NVRTC User Guide</u> for more information.

If you are building the TensorRT samples with a GCC version less than 8.x, then you may require the RedHat Developer Toolset 8 non-shared libstdc++ library to avoid missing C ++ standard library symbols during linking. You can use the following one-line command to obtain this additional static library, assuming the programs required by this command are already installed on your system.

```
$ curl -s http://mirror.centos.org/centos/7/sclo/x86_64/rh/Packages/d/devtoolset-8-libstdc++-
devel-8.3.1-3.2.el7.x86_64.rpm | rpm2cpio - | bsdtar --strip-components=10 -xf - '*/libstdc+
+_nonshared.a'
```

If you are building the TensorRT samples with a GCC version less than 5.x (for example GCC 4.8 on RHEL/CentOS 7.x), then you may require the linker options mentioned below to ensure you are using the correct C++ standard library symbols in your application. Your application object files must come after the TensorRT static libraries and whole-archive all TensorRT static libraries when linking to ensure the newer C++ standard library symbols from the RedHat Developer Toolset are used. This change is required to avoid undefined behavior within TensorRT that may lead to a crash. Since the resulting binary will of course depends on TensorRT, both the TensorRT static libraries and any dependent object files must be linked together as a group to ensure that all symbols are resolved.

```
-Wl,--start-group -Wl,-whole-archive -lnvinfer_static -lnvinfer_plugin_static -
lnvparsers_static -lnvonnxparser_static -Wl,-no-whole-archive <object_files> -Wl,--end-group
```

You may observe relocation issues during linking if the resulting binary exceeds 2 GB. This can occur if you are linking TensorRT and all of its dependencies into your application statically. To workaround this issue and move the GPU code to the end of the binary. You may require the linker script below and the following linker option -Wl, <path/to/fatbin.ld>.

```
SECTIONS
{
    .nvFatBinSegment : { *(.nvFatBinSegment) }
    .nv_fatbin : { *(.nv_fatbin) }
}
```

Building Samples Using Static Libraries

Chapter 4. Machine Comprehension

Machine comprehension systems are used to translate text from one language to another language, make predictions or answer questions based on a specific context. Recurrent neural networks (RNN) are one of the most popular deep learning solutions for machine comprehension.

Some examples of TensorRT machine comprehension samples include the following:

- Building An RNN Network Layer By Layer
- Refitting An Engine Built From An ONNX Model In Python

4.1. Building An RNN Network Layer By Layer

This sample, sampleCharRNN, uses the TensorRT API to build an RNN network layer by layer, sets up weights and inputs/outputs and then performs inference.

What does this sample do?

Specifically, this sample creates a CharRNN network that has been trained on the <u>Tiny</u> <u>Shakespeare</u> dataset. For more information about character level modeling, see <u>char-rnn</u>.

TensorFlow has a useful <u>RNN Tutorial</u> which can be used to train a word-level model. Word level models learn a probability distribution over a set of all possible word sequences. Since our goal is to train a char level model, which learns a probability distribution over a set of all possible characters, a few modifications will need to be made to get the TensorFlow sample to work. These modifications can be seen <u>here</u>.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleCharRNN directory in the GitHub: sampleCharRNN repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleCharRNN. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/sampleCharRNN.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub</u>: <u>sampleCharRNN/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

4.2. Refitting An Engine Built From An ONNX Model In Python

This sample, engine_refit_onnx_bidaf, builds an engine from the ONNX BiDAF model, and refits the TensorRT engine with weights from the model. The new refit APIs allow users to locate the weights via names from ONNX models instead of layer names and weights roles.

In the first pass, the weights "Parameter576_B_O" are refitted with empty values resulting in an incorrect inference result. In the second pass, we refit the engine with the actual weights and run inference again. With the weights now set correctly, inference should provide correct results.

Where Is This Sample Located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/engine_refit_onnx_bidaf
directory in the GitHub: engine_refit_onnx_bidaf
repository. If using the Debian
or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python/
engine_refit_onnx_bidaf. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at
<extracted path>/samples/python/engine refit onnx bidaf.

Getting Started:

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python</u> <u>Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: engine_refit_onnx_bidaf/</u> <u>README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

Chapter 5. Character Recognition

Character recognition, especially on the MNIST dataset, is a classic machine learning problem. The MNIST problem involves recognizing the digit that is present in an image of a handwritten digit.

Some examples of TensorRT character recognition samples include the following:

- <u>"Hello World" For TensorRT</u>
- Building A Simple MNIST Network Layer By Layer
- Importing The TensorFlow Model And Running Inference
- <u>"Hello World" For TensorRT From ONNX</u>
- Performing Inference In INT8 Using Custom Calibration
- Digit Recognition With Dynamic Shapes In TensorRT
- Specifying I/O Formats
- Adding A Custom Layer That Supports INT8 I/O To Your Network In TensorRT
- <u>"Hello World" For TensorRT Using TensorFlow And Python</u>
- Refitting An Engine In Python
- INT8 Calibration In Python
- <u>"Hello World" For TensorRT Using PyTorch And Python</u>
- Adding A Custom Layer To Your TensorFlow Network In TensorRT In Python
- Algorithm Selection API Usage Example Based On sampleMNIST In TensorRT
- Implementing CoordConv in TensorRT with a custom plugin using sampleOnnxMnistCoordConvAC In TensorRT

5.1. "Hello World" For TensorRT

This sample, sampleMNIST, is a simple hello world example that performs the basic setup and initialization of TensorRT using the Caffe parser.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the sampleMNIST directory in the GitHub: sampleMNIST repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at /

usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleMNIST. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/sampleMNIST.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleMNIST/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.2. Building A Simple MNIST Network Layer By Layer

This sample, sampleMNISTAPI, uses the TensorRT API to build an engine for a model trained on the MNIST dataset.

What does this sample do?

Specifically, it creates the network layer by layer, sets up weights and inputs/outputs, and then performs inference. This sample is similar to sampleMNIST. Both of these samples use the same model weights, handle the same input, and expect similar output.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleMNISTAPI directory in the GitHub:
sampleMNISTAPI repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located
at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleMNISTAPI. If using the tar or zip package, the
sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/sampleMNISTAPI.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleMNISTAPI/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.3. Importing The TensorFlow Model And Running Inference

This sample, sampleUffMNIST, imports a TensorFlow model trained on the MNIST dataset.

What does this sample do?

The MNIST TensorFlow model has been converted to UFF (Universal Framework Format) using the explanation described in <u>Working With TensorFlow</u>.

The UFF is designed to store neural networks as a graph. The NvUffParser that we use in this sample parses the UFF file in order to create an inference engine based on that neural network.

With TensorRT, you can take a TensorFlow trained model, export it into a UFF protobuf file (.uff) using the <u>UFF converter</u>, and import it using the UFF parser.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleUffMNIST directory in the GitHub:
sampleUffMNIST repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located
at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleUffMNIST. If using the tar or zip package, the
sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/sampleUffMNIST.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleUffMNIST/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.4. "Hello World" For TensorRT From ONNX

This sample, sampleOnnxMNIST, converts a model trained on the MNIST in ONNX format to a TensorRT network and runs inference on the network. ONNX is a standard for representing deep learning models that enables models to be transferred between frameworks.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleOnnxMNIST directory in the GitHub:
sampleOnnxMNIST repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located
at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleOnnxMNIST. If using the tar or zip package, the
sample is at <extracted path>/samples/sampleOnnxMNIST.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleOnnxMNIST/README.md</u> file

for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.5. Performing Inference In INT8 Using Custom Calibration

This sample, sampleINT8, performs INT8 calibration and inference.

What does this sample do?

Specifically, this sample demonstrates how to perform inference in an 8-bit integer (INT8). INT8 inference is available only on GPUs with compute capability 6.1 or 7.x. After the network is calibrated for execution in INT8, the output of the calibration is cached to avoid repeating the process. You can then reproduce your own experiments with Caffe in order to validate your results on ImageNet networks.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleINT8 directory in the GitHub: sampleINT8 repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at / usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleINT8. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <<extracted_path>/samples/sampleINT8.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleINT8/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.6. Digit Recognition With Dynamic Shapes In TensorRT

This sample, sampleDynamicReshape, demonstrates how to use dynamic input dimensions in TensorRT by creating an engine for resizing dynamically shaped inputs to the correct size for an ONNX MNIST model.

What does this sample do?

This sample creates an engine for resizing an input with dynamic dimensions to a size that an ONNX MNIST model can consume.

Specifically, this sample demonstrates how to:

- Create a network with dynamic input dimensions to act as a preprocessor for the model
- Parse an ONNX MNIST model to create a second network
- Build engines for both networks and start calibration if running in INT8
- Run inference using both engines

For more information, see <u>Working With Dynamic Shapes</u> in the *NVIDIA TensorRT Developer Guide*.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleDynamicReshape directory in the
GitHub: sampleDynamicReshape repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the
sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleDynamicReshape. If using the
tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted path>/samples/sampleDynamicReshape.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleDynamicReshape/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.7. Specifying I/O Formats

This sample, sampleIOFormats, uses a Caffe model that was trained on the MNIST dataset and performs engine building and inference using TensorRT. The correctness of outputs is then compared to the golden reference.

What does this sample do?

Specifically, it shows how to explicitly specify I/O formats for TensorFormat::kLINEAR, TensorFormat::kCHW2 and TensorFormat::kHWC8 for Float16 and INT8 precision.

ITensor::setAllowedFormats is invoked to specify which format is used.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the directory <code>samples/sampleIOFormats</code> in the <u>GitHub:</u> <u>sampleIOFormats</u> repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleIOFormats. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/sampleIOFormats.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>https://github.com/NVIDIA/TensorRT/tree/main/samples/sampleIOFormats#readme</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.8. Adding A Custom Layer That Supports INT8 I/O To Your Network In TensorRT

This sample, sampleUffPluginV2Ext, implements the custom pooling layer for the MNIST model (data/samples/lenet5_custom_pool.uff).

What does this sample do?

Since cuDNN function cudnnPoolingForward with float precision is used to simulate an INT8 kernel, the performance for INT8 precision does not speed up. Nevertheless, the main purpose of this sample is to demonstrate how to extend INT8 I/O for a plugin that is introduced in TensorRT 6.0. This requires the interface replacement from IPlugin/IPluginV2/IPluginV2Ext to IPluginV2IOExt (or IPluginV2DynamicExt if dynamic shape is required).

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the sampleUffPluginV2Ext directory in the
GitHub: sampleUffPluginV2Ext repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the
sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleUffPluginV2Ext. If using the
tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/sampleUffPluginV2Ext.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: /sampleUffPluginV2Ext/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.9. "Hello World" For TensorRT Using TensorFlow And Python

This sample, end_to_end_tensorflow_mnist, trains a small, fully-connected model on the MNIST dataset and runs inference using TensorRT.

Where Is This Sample Located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/end_to_end_tensorflow_mnist
directory in the GitHub: end_to_end_tensorflow_mnist
repository. If using the Debian
or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python/
end_to_end_tensorflow_mnist. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at
<extracted_path>/samples/python/end_to_end_tensorflow_mnist.

Getting Started:

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: /end_to_end_tensorflow_mnist/</u> <u>README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.10. Refitting An Engine In Python

This sample, engine_refit_mnist, trains an MNIST model in PyTorch, recreates the network in TensorRT with dummy weights, and finally refits the TensorRT engine with weights from the model. Refitting allows us to quickly modify the weights in a TensorRT engine without needing to rebuild.

Where Is This Sample Located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/engine_refit_mnist directory
in the GitHub: engine_refit_mnist repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the
sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python/engine_refit_mnist. If
using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/python/
engine_refit_mnist.

Getting Started:

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: /engine_refit_mnist/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.11. INT8 Calibration In Python

This sample, int8_caffe_mnist, demonstrates how to create an INT8 calibrator, build and calibrate an engine for INT8 mode, and finally run inference in INT8 mode.

Where Is This Sample Located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/int8_caffe_mnist directory in the
GitHub: int8_caffe_mnist repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is
located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python/int8_caffe_mnist. If using the tar or
zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/python/int8_caffe_mnist.

Getting Started:

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: /int8_caffe_mnist/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.12. "Hello World" For TensorRT Using PyTorch And Python

This sample, network_api_pytorch_mnist, trains a convolutional model on the MNIST dataset and runs inference with a TensorRT engine.

Where Is This Sample Located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/network_api_pytorch_mnist
directory in the GitHub: network_api_pytorch_mnist repository. If using the
Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/
python/network_api_pytorch. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at
<extracted_path>/samples/python/network_api_pytorch.

Getting Started:

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: /network_api_pytorch_mnist/</u> <u>README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.13. Adding A Custom Layer To Your TensorFlow Network In TensorRT In Python

This sample, uff_custom_plugin, demonstrates how to use plugins written in C++ with the TensorRT Python bindings and UFF Parser. This sample uses the MNIST dataset.

Where Is This Sample Located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/uff_custom_plugin directory
in the GitHub: uff_custom_plugin repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the
sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python/uff_custom_plugin. If
using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/python/
uff_custom_plugin.

Getting Started:

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: /uff_custom_plugin/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.14. Algorithm Selection API Usage Example Based On sampleMNIST In TensorRT

This sample, sampleAlgorithmSelector, shows an example of how to use the algorithm selection API based on sampleMNIST.

What does this sample do?

This sample demonstrates the usage of IAlgorithmSelector to deterministically build TensorRT engines. It also shows the usage of IAlgorithmSelector::selectAlgorithms to define heuristics for selection of algorithms.

This sample uses a Caffe model that was trained on the MNIST dataset.

To verify whether the engine is operating correctly, this sample picks a 28x28 image of a digit at random and runs inference on it using the engine it created. The output of the network is a probability distribution on the digit, showing which digit is likely to be that in the image.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleAlgorithmSelector directory in
the GitHub: sampleAlgorithmSelector repository. If using the Debian or RPM package,
the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleAlgorithmSelector.
If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/
sampleAlgorithmSelector.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: /uff_custom_plugin/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

5.15. Implementing CoordConv in TensorRT with a custom plugin using sampleOnnxMnistCoordConvAC In TensorRT

This sample, sampleOnnxMnistCoordConvAC, converts a model trained on the MNIST dataset in Open Neural Network Exchange (ONNX) format to a TensorRT network and runs inference on the network. This model was trained in PyTorch and it contains custom CoordConv layers instead of Conv layers.

The model with the CoordConvAC layers training script and code of the CoordConv layers in PyTorch are <u>here</u>. The original model with the Conv layers is <u>here</u>.

This sample creates and runs a TensorRT engine on an ONNX model of MNIST trained with CoordConv layers. It demonstrates how TensorRT can parse and import ONNX models, as well as use plugins to run custom layers in neural networks.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the sampleOnnxMnistCoordConvAC
directory in the GitHub:sampleOnnxMnistCoordConvAC
repository. If using the
Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/
sampleOnnxMnistCoordConvAC. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at
<extracted_path>/samples/sampleOnnxMnistCoordConvAC.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub:/sampleOnnxMnistCoordConvAC/</u> <u>README.md</u>file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

Chapter 6. Image Classification

Image classification is the problem of identifying one or more objects present in an image. Convolutional neural networks (CNN) are a popular choice for solving this problem. They are typically composed of convolution and pooling layers.

Some examples of TensorRT image classification samples include the following:

- Building And Running GoogleNet In TensorRT
- Performing Inference In INT8 Precision
- Introduction To Importing Caffe, TensorFlow And ONNX Models Into TensorRT Using Python
- <u>TensorRT Inference Of ONNX Models With Custom Layers In Python</u>

6.1. Building And Running GoogleNet In TensorRT

This sample, sampleGoogleNet, demonstrates how to import a model trained with Caffe into TensorRT using GoogleNet as an example.

What does this sample do?

Specifically, this sample builds a TensorRT engine from the saved Caffe model, sets input values to the engine, and runs it.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleGoogleNet directory in the <u>GitHub</u>: <u>sampleGoogleNet</u> repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleGoogleNet. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/sampleGoogleNet.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleGoogleNet/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

6.2. Performing Inference In INT8 Precision

This sample, sampleINT8API, performs INT8 inference without using the INT8 calibrator; using the user-provided per activation tensor dynamic range. INT8 inference is available only on GPUs with compute capability 6.1 or 7.x and supports Image Classification ONNX models such as ResNet-50, VGG19, and MobileNet.

What does this sample do?

Specifically, this sample demonstrates how to:

- Use nvinfer1::ITensor::setDynamicRange to set per tensor dynamic range
- Use nvinfer1::ILayer::setPrecison to set computation precision of a layer
- Use nvinfer1::ILayer::setOutputType to set output tensor data type of a layer
- Perform INT8 inference without using INT8 calibration

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleINT8API directory in the GitHub: sampleINT8API repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleINT8API. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted path>/samples/sampleINT8API.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleINT8API/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

6.3. Introduction To Importing Caffe, TensorFlow And ONNX Models Into TensorRT Using Python

This sample, introductory_parser_samples, is a Python sample that uses TensorRT and its included suite of parsers (UFF, Caffe and ONNX parsers), to perform inference with ResNet-50 models trained with various different frameworks.

Where Is This Sample Located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/introductory_parser_samples
directory in the GitHub: introductory_parser_samples
repository. If using the Debian
or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python/
introductory_parser_samples. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at
<extracted_path>/samples/python/introductory_parser_samples.

Getting Started:

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: introductory_parser_samples/</u> <u>README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

6.4. TensorRT Inference Of ONNX Models With Custom Layers In Python

This sample, onnx_packnet, uses TensorRT to perform inference with the PackNet network. PackNet is a self-supervised monocular depth estimation network used in autonomous driving.

What does this sample do?

This sample converts the PyTorch graph into ONNX and uses an ONNX-parser included in TensorRT to parse the ONNX graph. The sample also demonstrates how to:

- Use custom layers (plugins) in an ONNX graph. These plugins can be automatically registered in TensorRT by using REGISTER_TENSORRT_PLUGIN API.
- Use the ONNX GraphSurgeon (ONNX-GS) API to modify layers or subgraphs in the ONNX graph. For this network, we transform Group Normalization, upsample and pad layers to remove unnecessary nodes for inference with TensorRT.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/onnx_packnet directory in the
GitHub: onnx_packnet repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is
located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python/onnx_packnet. If using the tar or zip
package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/python/onnx_packnet.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: onnx_packnet/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

6.5. Scalable And Efficient Image Classification With EfficientNet Networks In Python

This sample, efficientnet, shows how to convert and execute a Google EfficientNet model with TensorRT.

What does this sample do?

The sample supports models from the original EfficientNet implementation, as well as newer EfficientNet V2 models. The sample code converts a TensorFlow saved model to ONNX and then builds a TensorRT engine with it. Inference and accuracy validation can also be performed with the helper scripts provided in the sample.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/efficientnet directory in the
GitHub: efficientnet repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is
located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python/efficientnet. If using the tar or zip
package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/python/efficientnet.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: efficientnet/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

Chapter 7. Object Detection

Object detection is one of the classic computer vision problems. The task, for a given image, is to detect, classify and localize all objects of interest. For example, imagine that you are developing a self-driving car and you need to do pedestrian detection - the object detection algorithm would then, for a given image, return bounding box coordinates for each pedestrian in an image.

There have been many advances in recent years in designing models for object detection.

Some examples of TensorRT object detection samples include the following:

- Object Detection With SSD In Python
- Object Detection With The ONNX TensorRT Backend In Python
- Object Detection With A TensorFlow SSD Network
- Object Detection With Faster R-CNN
- Object Detection With SSD
- Object Detection And Instance Segmentation With A TensorFlow Mask R-CNN Network
- Object Detection With A TensorFlow Faster R-CNN Network
- Scalable And Efficient Object Detection With EfficientDet Networks In Python

7.1. Object Detection With SSD In Python

This sample, uff_ssd, implements a full UFF-based pipeline for performing inference with an SSD (InceptionV2 feature extractor) network.

What Does This Sample Do?

This sample is based on the <u>SSD</u>: <u>Single Shot MultiBox Detector</u> paper. The SSD network, built on the VGG-16 network, performs the task of object detection and localization in a single forward pass of the network. This approach discretizes the output space of bounding boxes into a set of default boxes over different aspect ratios and scales per feature map location. At prediction time, the network generates scores for the presence of each object category in each default box and produces adjustments to the box to

better match the object shape. Additionally, the network combines predictions from multiple features with different resolutions to naturally handle objects of various sizes.

This sample is based on the TensorFlow implementation of SSD. For more information, download <u>ssd_inception_v2_coco</u>. Unlike the paper, the TensorFlow SSD network was trained on the InceptionV2 architecture using the MSCOCO dataset which has 91 classes (including the background class). The config details of the network can be found <u>here</u>.

Where Is This Sample Located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/uff_ssd directory in the GitHub:
uff_ssd repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/
src/tensorrt/samples/python/uff_ssd. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at
<extracted_path>/samples/python/uff_ssd.

Getting Started:

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: uff_ssd/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

7.2. Object Detection With The ONNX TensorRT Backend In Python

This sample, yolov3_onnx, implements a full ONNX-based pipeline for performing inference with the YOLOv3 network, with an input size of 608x608 pixels, including pre and post-processing.

What Does This Sample Do?

This sample is based on the <u>YOLOv3-608</u> paper.

Note: This sample is not supported on Ubuntu 14.04 and older. Additionally, the yolov3_to_onnx.py script does not support Python 3.

Where Is This Sample Located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/yolov3_onnx directory in the <u>GitHub: yolov3_onnx</u> repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python/yolov3_onnx. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/python/yolov2_onnx.

Getting Started:

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: yolov3_onnx/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

7.3. Object Detection With A TensorFlow SSD Network

This sample, sampleUffSSD, preprocesses a TensorFlow SSD network, performs inference on the SSD network in TensorRT, using TensorRT plugins to speed up inference.

What does this sample do?

This sample is based on the <u>SSD</u>: <u>Single Shot MultiBox Detector</u> paper. The SSD network performs the task of object detection and localization in a single forward pass of the network.</u>

The SSD network used in this sample is based on the TensorFlow implementation of SSD, which actually differs from the original paper, in that it has an inception_v2 backbone. For more information about the actual model, download <u>ssd_inception_v2_coco</u>. The TensorFlow SSD network was trained on the InceptionV2 architecture using the <u>MSCOCO dataset</u> which has 91 classes (including the background class). The config details of the network can be found <u>here</u>.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleUffSSD directory in the GitHub: sampleUffSSD repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleUffSSD. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted path>/samples/sampleUffSSD.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleUffSSD/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

7.4. Object Detection With Faster R-CNN

This sample, sampleFasterRCNN, uses TensorRT plugins, performs inference, and implements a fused custom layer for end-to-end inferencing of a Faster R-CNN model.

What does this sample do?

Specifically, this sample demonstrates the implementation of a Faster R-CNN network in TensorRT, performs a quick performance test in TensorRT, implements a fused custom layer, and constructs the basis for further optimization, for example using INT8 calibration, user trained network, etc. The Faster R-CNN network is based on the paper <u>Faster R-CNN: Towards Real-Time Object Detection with Region Proposal Networks</u>.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the sampleFasterRCNN directory in the GitHub:
sampleFasterRCNN repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is
located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleFasterRCNN. If using the tar or zip
package, the sample is at <extracted path>/samples/sampleFasterRCNN.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleFasterRCNN/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

7.5. Object Detection With SSD

This sample, sampleSSD, performs the task of object detection and localization in a single forward pass of the network.

What does this sample do?

This sample is based on the <u>SSD: Single Shot MultiBox Detector</u> paper. This network is built using the VGG network as a backbone and trained using <u>PASCAL VOC 2007+ 2012</u> datasets.

Unlike Faster R-CNN, SSD completely eliminates the proposal generation and subsequent pixel or feature resampling stages and encapsulates all computation in a single network. This makes SSD straightforward to integrate into systems that require a detection component.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleSSD directory in the GitHub:
sampleSSD repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at /
usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleSSD. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at
<extracted_path>/samples/sampleSSD.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleSSD/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

7.6. Object Detection And Instance Segmentation With A TensorFlow Mask R-CNN Network

This sample, sampleUffMaskRCNN, performs inference on the Mask R-CNN network in TensorRT.

What does this sample do?

Mask R-CNN is based on the <u>Mask R-CNN</u> paper which performs the task of object detection and object mask predictions on a target image.

This sample's model is based on the Keras implementation of Mask R-CNN and its training framework can be found in the Mask R-CNN Github repository. We have verified that the pre-trained Keras model (with backbone ResNet101 + FPN and dataset coco) provided in the v2.0 release can be converted to UFF and consumed by this sample. And, it is also feasible to deploy your customized Mask R-CNN model trained with specific backbone and datasets.

This sample makes use of TensorRT plugins to run the Mask R-CNN model. To use these plugins, the Keras model should be converted to TensorFlow .pb model. Then this .pb model needs to be preprocessed and converted to the UFF model with the help of GraphSurgeon and the UFF utility.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleUffMaskRCNN directory in the
GitHub: sampleUffMaskRCNN repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the
sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleUffMaskRCNN. If using the tar
or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/sampleUffMaskRCNN.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleUffMaskRCNN/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

7.7. Object Detection With A TensorFlow Faster R-CNN Network

This sample, sample_uff_fasterRCNN, is a UFF TensorRT sample for Faster-RCNN in NVIDIA TAO.

What does this sample do?

This sample serves as a demo of how to use the pre-trained Faster-RCNN model in TAO Toolkit to do inference with TensorRT. Besides the sample itself, it also provides two TensorRT plugins: <u>Proposal</u> and <u>CropAndResize</u> to implement the proposal layer and ROIPooling layer as custom layers in the model since TensorRT has no native support for them.

In this sample, we provide a UFF model as a demo. While in the TAO workflow, we can't provide the UFF model. Instead, we can only get the .tlt model during training and the .etlt model after tlt-export. Both of them are encrypted models and the TAO user will use tlt-converter to decrypt the .etlt model and generate a TensorRT engine file in a single step. Therefore, in the TAO workflow, we will consume the TensorRT engine instead of a UFF model. However, this sample can still serve as a demo on how to use the UFF Faster R-CNN model regardless of its format.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleUffFasterRCNN directory in the
GitHub: sampleUffFasterRCNN repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the
sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleUffFasterRCNN. If using the
tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted path>/samples/sampleUffFasterRCNN.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleUffFasterRCNN/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-bystep instructions on how to run and verify its output.

7.8. Scalable And Efficient Object Detection With EfficientDet Networks In Python

This sample, efficientdet, demonstrates the conversion and execution of <u>Google</u> <u>EfficientDet</u> models with <u>TensorRT</u>.

What does this sample do?

The code converts a TensorFlow checkpoint or saved model to ONNX, adapts the ONNX graph for TensorRT compatibility, and then builds a TensorRT engine with it. Inference and accuracy validation can then be performed using the corresponding scripts provided in the sample.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/efficientdet directory in the <u>GitHub: efficientdet</u> repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python/efficientdet. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/python/efficientdet

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: efficientdet/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

7.9. Object Detection with TensorFlow Object Detection API Model Zoo Networks in Python

This sample, tensorflow_object_detection_api, demonstrates the conversion and execution of the <u>Tensorflow Object Detection API Model Zoo</u> models with <u>TensorRT</u>.

What does this sample do?

The code converts a TensorFlow checkpoint or saved model to ONNX, adapts the ONNX graph for TensorRT compatibility, and then builds a TensorRT engine with it. Inference and accuracy validation can then be performed using the corresponding scripts provided in the sample.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/
tensorflow_object_detection_api directory in the GitHub:
tensorflow_object_detection_api repository. If using the Debian or RPM
package, the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python/
tensorflow_object_detection_api. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at
<extracted_path>/samples/python/tensorflow_object_detection_api.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: tensorflow_object_detection_api/</u> <u>README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

7.10. Object Detection with Detectron 2 Mask R-CNN R50-FPN 3x Network in Python

This sample, detectron2, demonstrates the conversion and execution of <u>Detectron 2</u> <u>Model Zoo Mask R-CNN R50-FPN 3x</u> model with <u>TensorRT</u>.

What does this sample do?

The project provides steps to export Detectron 2 model to ONNX, code adapts the ONNX graph for TensorRT compatibility, and then builds a TensorRT engine with it. Inference and accuracy validation can then be performed using the corresponding scripts provided in the sample.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/python/detectron2 directory in the
GitHub: detectron2 repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located
at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/python/detectron2. If using the tar or zip package, the
sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/python/detectron2.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With Python Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: detectron2/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

Note: This sample cannot be run on Jetson platforms as torch.distributed is not available. To check whether your platform supports torch.distributed, open a Python shell and confirm that torch.distributed.is_available() returns True.

Chapter 8. DLA Samples

DLA, or deep-learning accelerator, is a special hardware unit available on some platforms that can accelerate vision-networks in a power-efficient manner.

Some examples of TensorRT DLA samples include the following:

Using The Cudla API To Run A TensorRT Engine

8.1. Using The Cudla API To Run A TensorRT Engine

This sample, sampleCudla, demonstrates how to run a DLA loadable using the cuDLA API.

What does this sample do?

Specifically, it uses an API to construct a network of a single ElementWise layer and builds the engine. The engine runs in DLA safe mode using cuDLA runtime. In order to do that, the sample uses cuDLA APIs to do engine conversion and cuDLA runtime preparation, as well as the inference.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleCudla directory in the <u>GitHub:</u> <u>sampleCudla</u> repository. If using the Debian or RPM package, the sample is located at / usr/src/tensorrt/samples/samplecuDLA. If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/sampleCudla.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleCudla/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

Chapter 9. Other Features

9.1. Working With ONNX Models With Named Input Dimensions

This sample, sampleNamedDimensions, illustrates the feature of named input dimensions.

What does this sample do?

Specifically, a simple one-layer ONNX model with named dimension parameters in the model input is generated and then passed to TensorRT for parsing and engine building.

Where is this sample located?

This sample is maintained under the samples/sampleNamedDimensions directory in
the GitHub: sampleNamedDimensions repository. If using the Debian or RPM package,
the sample is located at /usr/src/tensorrt/samples/sampleNamedDimensions.
If using the tar or zip package, the sample is at <extracted_path>/samples/
sampleNamedDimensions.

How do I get started?

For more information about getting started, see <u>Getting Started With C++ Samples</u>. For specifics about this sample, refer to the <u>GitHub: sampleNamedDimensions/README.md</u> file for detailed information about how this sample works, sample code, and step-by-step instructions on how to run and verify its output.

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