

Supplementary Material:

Task Vector Quantization for Memory-Efficient Model Merging

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This Appendix provides an overview of our experimental details, further empirical analyses, and additional results. The detailed descriptions of each section are summarized as follows:

- Appendix A: Details of the datasets, model checkpoints, and merging methods used in our experiments.
- Appendix B: Further analyses on the effects of quantization in terms of weight pruning and task vector similarity; includes a sensitivity analysis on bit allocations.
- Appendix C: Detailed results on the 14 and 20 classification tasks, task-level performance, additional quantitative and qualitative results for dense prediction tasks, and loss landscape visualizations.

A. Experimental Details

A.1. Employed datasets

We evaluated our approach on a broad and diverse set of datasets that span three major categories: image classification, dense prediction, and natural language processing.

For image classification, we conducted experiments on a total of 19 datasets that cover a wide range of domains and visual characteristics. Specifically, we used SUN397 [41] for scene recognition, Cars [19] for fine-grained vehicle classification, and RESISC45 [3] and EuroSAT [15] for remote sensing imagery. We also included digit and character recognition datasets such as SVHN [24], MNIST [21], EMNIST [7], FashionMNIST [40], and KM-NIST [5]. Additional benchmarks included GTSRB [32] for traffic sign recognition, DTD [4] for texture classification, CIFAR-10/100 [20] and STL10 [6] for general object recognition, FER2013 [13] for facial expression recognition, Flowers102 [25] and Oxford-IIIT Pet [26] for fine-grained species classification, PCAM [34] for histopathology image analysis, Food101 [1] for food recognition, and Rendered SST-2 [27], which contains rendered images generated from sentiment classification data.

For dense prediction tasks, we used NYUv2 [30], which provides RGB-D indoor images annotated for multiple tasks, including 13-class semantic segmentation, depth estimation, and surface normal estimation. This dataset was chosen to evaluate the ability of our method to handle multi-modal dense prediction problems.

Finally, for NLP tasks, we adopted the GLUE benchmark [35], which consists of multiple language understanding tasks. We reported the Matthews correlation coefficient for CoLA [38], Pearson and Spearman correlations for STS-B [2], and accuracy for the remaining tasks, including SST-2 [31], MRPC [9], QQP [18], MNLI [39], QNLI [29], and RTE [12]. These benchmarks comprehensively evaluate our method across different input modalities and task types.

A.2. Model checkpoints

For our experiments, we address three distinct domains. In image classification, we utilize Vision Transformers of varying scales: ViT-B/32 and ViT-L/14, initialized with pretrained CLIP weights [28]¹. To ensure a fair comparison across the 8 classification tasks, we adopt the publicly released model checkpoints from Task Arithmetic [17]². For our extended experiments with 14 and 20 classification tasks, we fine-tune CLIP ViT-B/32 following TallMask [36] to obtain task-specific models. For dense prediction tasks, we employ ResNet-50 [14] as the backbone, initializing with ImageNet pre-trained weights. We then fine-tune this model following FusionBench [33] for segmentation, depth estimation, and normal estimation. For NLP tasks, we use RoBERTa-base [22] with the publicly available fine-tuned weights from EMR-Merging [16]³.

A.3. Merging method baseline

We applied our quantization method against diverse merging strategies, from simple to advanced. Notably, we limited our investigation to approaches that leverage task vectors for the purpose of implementing our proposed quantiza-

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¹https://github.com/mlfoundations/open_clip

²https://github.com/mlfoundations/task_vectors

³https://github.com/harveyhuang18/EMR_Merging

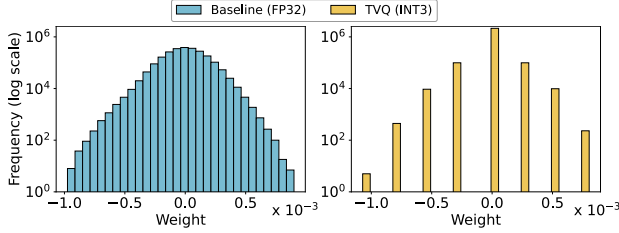


Figure A. Histogram of task vector weight distributions before and after quantization. After quantization, smaller weight values are mapped to zero, leading to a substantial increase in sparsity.

tion scheme. Furthermore, we reimplemented all merging methods and conducted extensive experiments to ensure a fair and comprehensive evaluation. Below, we briefly summarize the key insights of each approach:

Individual fine-tunes the pretrained model separately for each task, which optimizes performance for the specific task. However, this approach cannot handle multiple tasks.

Task Arithmetic [17] defines a task vector as the difference between a pretrained model and a fine-tuned model, then combines these vectors to form a multi-task model.

Ties Merging [42] mitigates interference during merging by addressing redundant parameters and sign conflicts among task vectors.

MagMax [23] merges task vectors by selecting, for each parameter, the one with the largest magnitude change.

Breadcrumbs [8] applies layer-wise filtering to remove extreme weight changes, including both large outliers and negligible values, constructing a unified multi-task model.

Consensus TA [36] retains general weights that are important across multiple tasks while removing selfish weights to reduce task interference.

LiNeS [37] applies linear scaling to adjust layer-wise coefficients, which captures the relative importance of each task vector during the merging process.

AdaMerging [43] employs an unsupervised approach at test time to optimize merge coefficients, rather than setting them empirically.

EMR-Merging [16] constructs a unified model by electing a shared set of weights. It then applies task-specific binary masks and rescaling factors to adjust magnitudes.

TSV-Compress [10] exploits the low-rank structure of layer-wise task matrices using singular value decomposition, enabling effective compression of task vectors.

B. More Empirical Analyses

B.1. Impact of quantization

In our main experiments, we observed that quantization can occasionally lead to performance improvements. Building on the analysis presented in main paper, which showed

Offset \ Base	INT2	INT3	INT4	INT8
INT2	69.5	70.2	69.7	69.6
INT3	70.9	69.9	69.5	69.5
INT4	69.0	69.0	69.0	69.0
INT8	68.9	69.0	69.0	69.0

Table A. Average accuracy (%) for various base and offset bit-width configurations in our Residual Task Vector Quantization (RTVQ). All experiments were performed on merging 8 classification tasks using Task Arithmetic.

that quantization might help prevent overfitting and improve generalization, we further conducted a more extensive investigation using various approaches. In particular, we focused on 3 bit quantization because it exhibited consistent performance gains across diverse tasks.

Weight pruning in task vector. Quantization typically serves as an implicit regularizer, spreading out weight values across discrete levels and thereby reducing overfitting. However, we specifically quantize task vectors, which represent differences between pretrained and fine-tuned model weights, exhibiting a high concentration of values near zero (see Fig.3 in the main paper). To better understand how quantization affects these task vectors, we visualized their weight distributions before and after quantization. As shown in Fig. A, quantization maps small-magnitude weights to exactly zero, effectively pruning less impactful parameters. This process increases the proportion of zero-valued weights to 56.7%, highlighting the pruning effect of quantization in the context of task vectors. Interestingly, this processes mirror strategies commonly employed in task vector-based model merging [8, 16, 36, 42]. Consequently, our quantization approach naturally introduces sparsity, simultaneously providing efficiency gains and potential improvements in model performance.

Task vector similarity. We measure cosine similarities of the task vectors before and after quantization by constructing confusion matrices for 20 classification tasks. As shown in Fig. B, quantization reduces off-diagonal similarities, indicating that distinct tasks become more orthogonal. Prior work [17] has observed that task vectors tend to be nearly orthogonal, which facilitates more effective merging. Given that quantization further increases orthogonality, we speculate that this process helps reduce task interference and strengthens the robustness of the merged model.

B.2. Sensitivity analysis

We conducted a sensitivity analysis of the quantization precision for the base and offset vectors in our Residual Task Vector Quantization (RTVQ). Table A summarizes the performance across 16 distinct bitwidth configurations ranging from 2, 3, 4, 8 bits. While one might expect allocating more bits to either the shared base vector or the task-specific off-

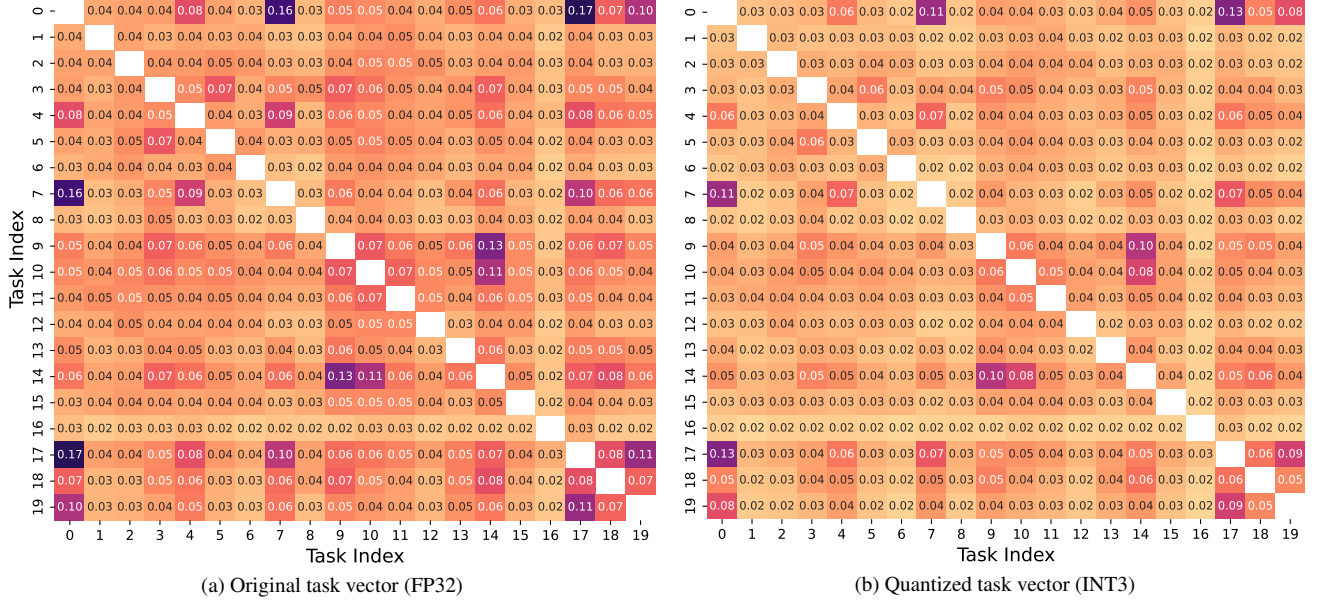


Figure B. Confusion matrices of the cosine similarity among 20 classification task vectors for (a) full-precision (FP32) and (b) 3-bit quantized settings. The diagonal entries are excluded for a clearer comparison. Indices 0 to 19, respectively, correspond to: MNIST, Cars, TTD, EuroSAT, GTSRB, RESISC45, SUN397, SVHN, PCAM, CIFAR100, STL10, OxfordIIITPet, Flowers102, FER2013, CIFAR10, Food101, RenderedSST2, EMNIST, FashionMNIST, and KMNIST.

set vector would yield better performance, our results did not show a clear pattern. Instead, balanced configurations, such as combining a 2-bit base vector with a 3-bit offset vector, provided optimal accuracy. Notably, nearly all configurations surpassed the performance of 2-bit quantization (62.1%) and approached the FP32 baseline (69.2%). These results indicate that RTVQ remains robust across diverse bitwidth configurations, achieving near-FP32 performance even with relatively low-bit allocations.

C. Additional Results

C.1. Full results on 14 and 20 classification tasks

In Table B and Table C, we present comprehensive results corresponding to Figure 6 in the main paper, which shows that our quantization method becomes more stable as model size increases. Similarly, stability improves as the number of tasks grows from 14 to 20, particularly for 3-bit TVQ and RTVQ. Additionally, while full-precision models face increasing storage overhead as tasks scale, our quantization method keeps storage requirements manageable. This ensures efficiency gains without compromising accuracy, making it well-suited for large-scale or multi-task scenarios where storage scalability is crucial.

C.2. Additional results for dense prediction tasks

We provide detailed results corresponding to Table 3 in the main paper for merging dense prediction tasks. Table D

expands on these results by comparing a broader range of quantization methods and evaluation metrics. Additionally, Fig. C, D, and E present qualitative visualizations for semantic segmentation, depth estimation, and normal estimation using the state-of-the-art EMR-Merging method. These results further validate the trends consistently observed throughout the paper.

C.3. Comprehensive task-level results

We report the average accuracy across all tasks in Table 1 and Table 2 of the main paper. This provides an overall comparison of different quantization methods and shows how well each method generalizes across multiple tasks. We also present detailed task-specific results for ViT-B/32 and ViT-L/14 in Table E and F. These results enable closer inspection of per-task behavior and reveal where certain methods perform well or poorly. Such analysis is important for understanding how sensitive quantization strategies are to different task characteristics.

C.4. Loss landscape visualizations

We utilized the visualization method introduced in [11]. Using 1,024 test images, we computed the loss values across all 16×16 grid points for each task. For 8 vision tasks, we visualized the loss landscapes of all target task and cross-task pairs using ViT-B/32. The visualization results for cross-tasks can be found in Fig. F, G, H, I, while the visualization results for target tasks are presented in Fig. J, K.

Method	Baseline	FQ		TVQ (ours)				RTVQ (ours)
	FP32	INT8	INT4	INT8	INT4	INT3	INT2	
Task arithmetic [17]	65.4	65.2 (-0.2)	8.7 (-56.7)	65.4 (0.0)	65.3 (-0.1)	65.1 (-0.3)	60.9 (-4.5)	65.0 (-0.4)
Ties merging [42]	65.2	63.5 (-1.7)	9.0 (-56.2)	65.2 (0.0)	65.0 (-0.2)	66.4 (1.2)	61.3 (-3.9)	63.2 (-2.0)
LiNeS [37]	68.0	67.9 (-0.1)	8.1 (-59.9)	68.0 (0.0)	68.0 (0.0)	67.8 (-0.2)	62.0 (-6.0)	67.5 (-0.5)
Consensus TA [36]	70.2	64.4 (-5.8)	8.4 (-61.8)	70.2 (0.0)	70.1 (-0.1)	70.2 (0.0)	63.2 (-7.0)	69.8 (-0.4)
AdaMerging [43]	76.7	76.2 (-0.5)	8.2 (-68.5)	76.7 (0.0)	76.8 (0.1)	77.2 (0.5)	74.4 (-2.3)	76.1 (-0.6)
EMR-Merging [16]	86.1	86.2 (0.1)	7.7 (-78.4)	86.3 (0.2)	88.2 (2.1)	88.4 (2.3)	76.2 (-9.9)	78.9 (-7.2)

Table B. Comparison of our proposed quantization methods for merging 14 classification tasks using ViT-B/32. Note that our primary objective is to improve storage efficiency for checkpoint saving while minimizing performance degradation relative to the baseline, rather than to maximize performance. The baseline refers to full-precision (FP32) model checkpoints. FQ denotes quantizing fine-tuned checkpoints, TVQ indicates Task Vector Quantization, and RTVQ incorporates our proposed Residual Task Vector Quantization using a 3-bit base vector and a 2-bit offset vector (equivalent to 2.21 bits per task). We report the average accuracy (%) across all tasks, with the difference relative to FP32 shown in parentheses (**red** indicates a performance drop, **green** a gain).

Method	Baseline	FQ		TVQ (ours)				RTVQ (ours)
	FP32	INT8	INT4	INT8	INT4	INT3	INT2	
Task arithmetic [17]	60.8	60.5 (-0.3)	10.4 (-50.4)	60.8 (0.0)	60.8 (0.0)	61.3 (0.5)	59.5 (-1.3)	61.0 (0.2)
Ties merging [42]	63.1	59.0 (-4.1)	10.4 (-52.7)	63.1 (0.0)	62.9 (-0.2)	64.1 (1.0)	60.0 (-3.1)	58.9 (-4.2)
LiNeS [37]	63.7	63.5 (-0.2)	10.3 (-53.4)	63.7 (0.0)	63.7 (0.0)	64.1 (0.4)	60.3 (-3.4)	63.7 (0.0)
Consensus TA [36]	65.0	59.3 (-5.7)	10.5 (-54.5)	65.0 (0.0)	65.0 (0.0)	65.5 (0.5)	60.7 (-4.3)	65.7 (0.7)
AdaMerging [43]	69.6	69.3 (-0.3)	9.7 (-59.9)	71.3 (1.7)	71.3 (1.7)	71.8 (2.2)	70.2 (0.6)	71.5 (1.9)
EMR-Merging [16]	86.6	84.3 (-2.3)	10.0 (-76.6)	86.7 (0.1)	88.4 (1.8)	87.1 (0.5)	72.7 (-13.9)	75.6 (-11.0)

Table C. Comparison of our proposed quantization methods for merging 20 classification tasks using ViT-B/32. For RTVQ, we use a 3-bit base vector and a 2-bit offset vector (equivalent to 2.15 bits per task)

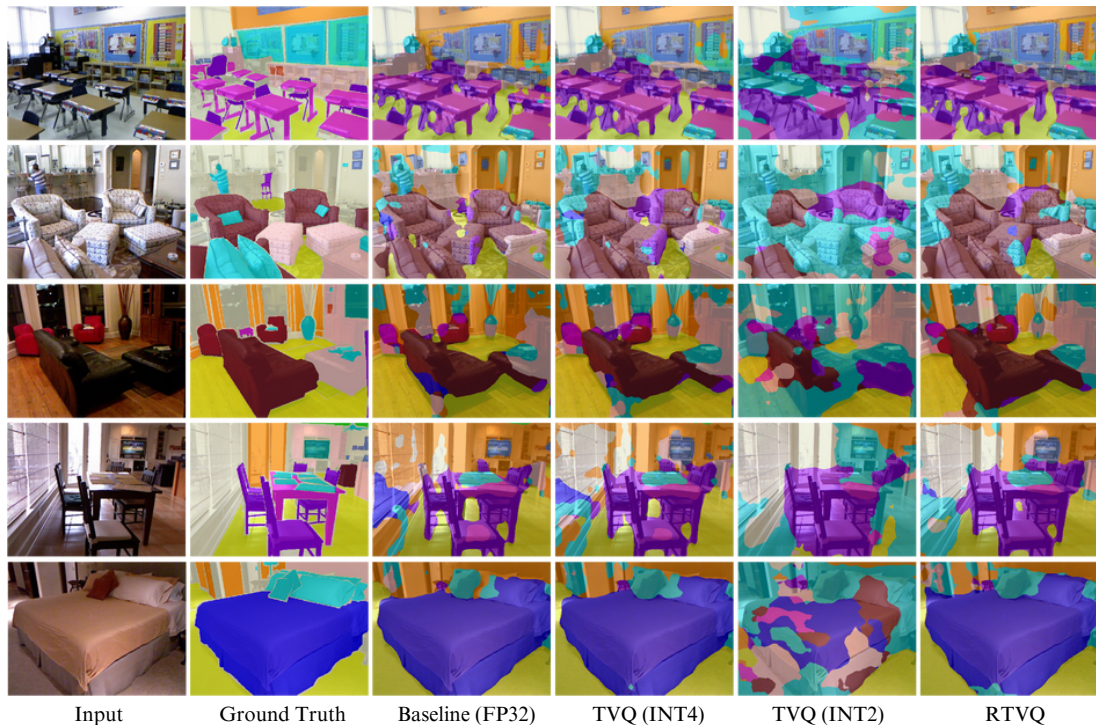


Figure C. Qualitative results of segmentation task across different quantization methods. RTVQ quantizes both the base vector and offset to 2 bits.

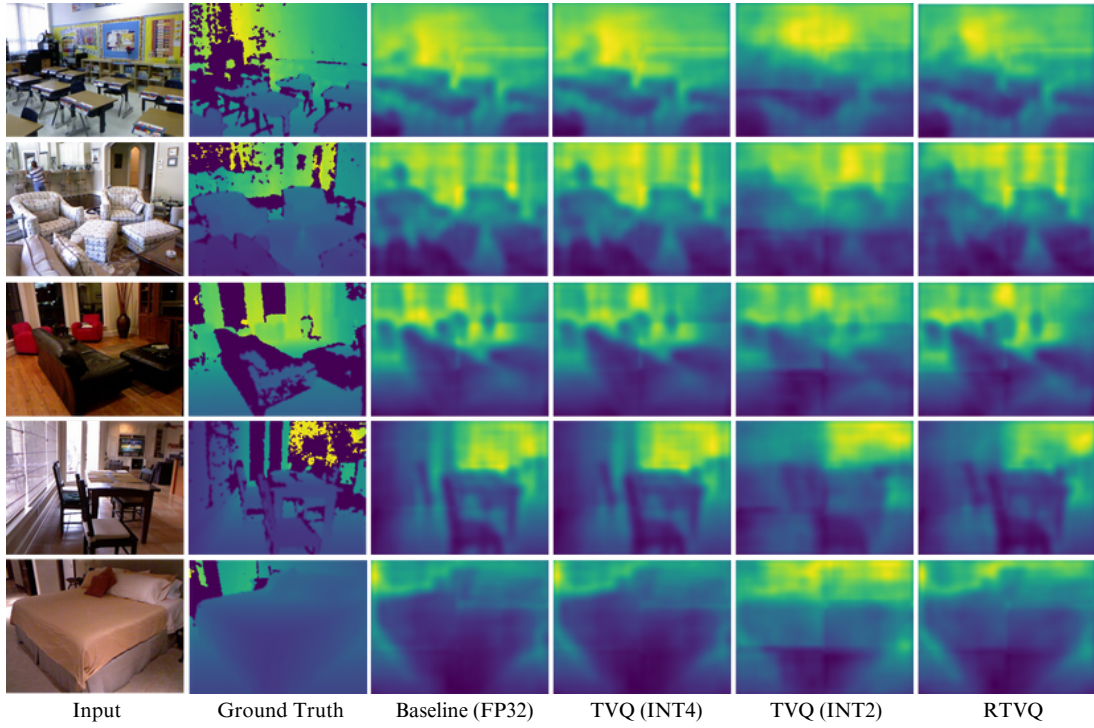


Figure D. Qualitative results of depth estimation task across different quantization methods. RTVQ quantizes both the base vector and offset to 2 bits.

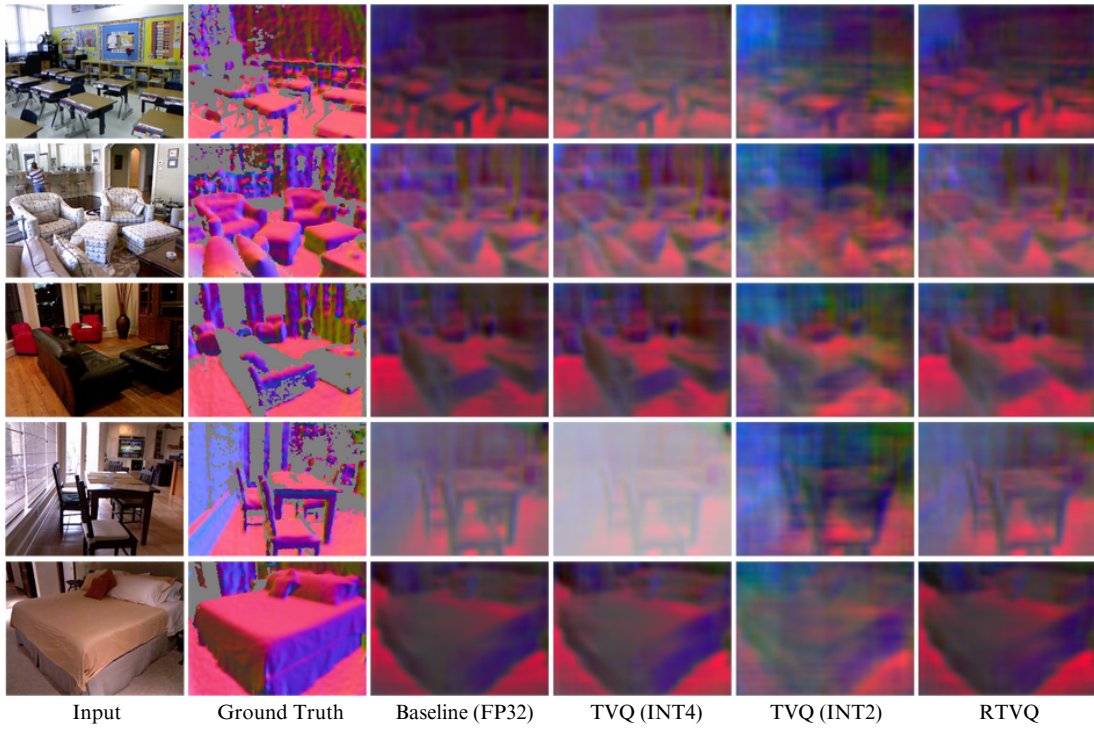


Figure E. Qualitative results of normal estimation task across different quantization methods. RTVQ quantizes both the base vector and offset to 2 bits.

		Segmentation		Depth		Normal
		mIoU $\uparrow$	Pix Acc $\uparrow$	Abs Err $\downarrow$	Rel Err $\downarrow$	Mean $\downarrow$
Individual	FP32	52.02	74.15	41.45	17.28	24.24
	FQ8	51.92 (-0.10)	73.99 (-0.16)	41.70 (0.25)	17.52 (0.24)	24.34 (0.10)
	FQ4	1.20 (-50.82)	15.55 (-58.60)	89.48 (48.03)	36.00 (18.72)	44.24 (20.00)
	INT8	52.02 (0.00)	74.15 (0.00)	41.45 (0.00)	17.28 (0.00)	24.24 (0.00)
	INT4	51.98 (-0.04)	74.16 (0.01)	41.44 (-0.01)	17.35 (0.07)	24.22 (-0.02)
	INT3	51.78 (-0.24)	74.05 (-0.10)	41.57 (0.12)	17.35 (0.07)	24.49 (0.25)
	INT2	37.67 (-14.35)	56.25 (-17.90)	62.46 (21.01)	24.14 (6.86)	34.17 (9.93)
Task Arithmetic [17]	FP32	31.60	60.31	56.67	24.03	30.62
	FQ8	31.68 (0.08)	60.36 (0.05)	56.79 (0.12)	24.01 (-0.02)	30.63 (0.01)
	FQ4	6.11 (-25.49)	23.06 (-37.25)	79.52 (22.85)	33.69 (9.66)	43.67 (13.05)
	INT8	31.61 (0.01)	60.32 (0.01)	56.67 (0.00)	24.03 (0.00)	30.62 (0.00)
	INT4	31.54 (-0.06)	60.32 (0.01)	56.65 (-0.02)	24.04 (0.01)	30.62 (0.00)
	INT3	32.11 (0.51)	60.81 (0.50)	56.78 (0.11)	23.98 (-0.05)	30.72 (0.10)
	INT2	36.36 (4.76)	61.32 (1.01)	63.88 (7.21)	26.21 (2.18)	36.07 (5.45)
Ties-Merging [42]	RTVQ	36.13 (4.53)	59.23 (-1.08)	59.23 (2.56)	24.63 (0.60)	32.60 (1.98)
	FP32	39.91	62.70	61.25	27.28	36.17
	FQ8	40.14 (0.23)	63.27 (0.57)	61.04 (-0.21)	27.29 (0.01)	36.19 (0.02)
	FQ4	9.52 (-30.39)	25.05 (-37.65)	77.46 (16.21)	30.45 (3.17)	68.94 (32.77)
	INT8	39.90 (-0.01)	62.78 (0.08)	61.21 (-0.04)	27.26 (-0.02)	36.16 (-0.01)
	INT4	39.98 (0.07)	63.17 (0.47)	61.04 (-0.21)	27.21 (-0.07)	36.20 (0.03)
	INT3	39.23 (-0.68)	62.02 (-0.68)	61.54 (0.29)	27.26 (-0.02)	36.37 (0.20)
MagMax [23]	INT2	36.09 (-3.82)	59.92 (-2.78)	65.10 (3.85)	26.54 (-0.74)	37.03 (0.86)
	RTVQ	37.02 (-2.89)	63.57 (0.87)	59.22 (-2.03)	24.55 (-2.73)	32.64 (-3.53)
	FP32	24.73	54.71	60.27	23.88	30.25
	FQ8	24.80 (0.07)	54.75 (0.04)	61.18 (0.91)	24.17 (0.29)	30.44 (0.19)
	FQ4	6.16 (-18.57)	24.52 (-30.19)	79.24 (18.97)	31.60 (7.72)	39.97 (9.72)
	INT8	24.76 (0.03)	54.75 (0.04)	60.25 (-0.02)	23.88 (0.00)	30.26 (0.01)
	INT4	25.39 (0.66)	55.19 (0.48)	61.33 (1.06)	24.19 (0.31)	30.04 (-0.21)
Breadcrumbs [8]	INT3	23.28 (-1.45)	52.88 (-1.83)	62.87 (2.60)	24.59 (0.71)	29.77 (-0.48)
	INT2	29.93 (5.20)	58.65 (3.94)	64.29 (4.02)	25.59 (1.71)	32.22 (1.97)
	RTVQ	29.39 (4.66)	58.48 (3.77)	62.57 (2.30)	24.73 (0.85)	31.06 (0.81)
	FP32	34.14	58.51	66.05	27.17	36.85
	FQ8	34.29 (0.15)	58.80 (0.29)	65.97 (-0.08)	27.15 (-0.02)	36.84 (-0.01)
	FQ4	19.73 (-14.41)	40.63 (-17.88)	75.86 (9.81)	29.45 (2.28)	40.60 (3.75)
	INT8	34.19 (0.05)	58.57 (0.06)	66.06 (0.01)	27.17 (0.00)	36.88 (0.03)
EMR-Merging [16]	INT4	34.26 (0.12)	58.56 (0.05)	66.07 (0.02)	27.18 (0.01)	37.00 (0.15)
	INT3	34.30 (0.16)	58.70 (0.19)	66.11 (0.06)	27.15 (-0.02)	36.86 (0.01)
	INT2	32.19 (-1.95)	54.22 (-4.29)	69.03 (2.98)	28.44 (1.27)	40.58 (3.73)
	RTVQ	33.97 (-0.17)	57.31 (-1.20)	67.13 (1.08)	27.66 (0.49)	38.29 (1.44)
	FP32	41.50	67.24	48.59	19.44	26.52
	FQ8	41.73 (0.23)	67.27 (0.03)	48.64 (0.05)	19.37 (-0.07)	26.54 (0.02)
	FQ4	1.20 (-40.30)	15.55 (-51.69)	80.46 (31.87)	35.39 (15.95)	45.78 (19.26)
Task Arithmetic [17]	INT8	41.69 (0.19)	67.37 (0.13)	48.43 (-0.16)	19.35 (-0.09)	26.50 (-0.02)
	INT4	44.79 (3.29)	69.53 (2.29)	47.13 (-1.46)	18.76 (-0.68)	26.56 (0.04)
	INT3	43.00 (1.50)	67.66 (0.42)	48.05 (-0.54)	18.87 (-0.57)	29.21 (2.69)
	INT2	21.33 (-20.17)	40.95 (-26.29)	68.31 (19.72)	25.45 (6.01)	45.16 (18.64)
	RTVQ	34.11 (-7.39)	57.23 (-10.01)	59.31 (10.72)	22.07 (2.63)	34.99 (8.47)

Table D. Comprehensive experimental results of merging ResNet-50 models on three NYUv2 tasks. We compare the proposed quantization methods against the full-precision baseline (FP32). RTVQ quantizes both the base vector and offset vector to 2 bits.

Method		SUN	Cars	RES.	Euro	SVH.	GTS.	MNI.	DTD	Avg.
Individual	FP32	75.3	77.7	96.1	99.7	97.5	98.7	99.7	79.4	90.5
	FQ8	74.9 (-0.4)	77.2 (-0.5)	96.0 (-0.1)	99.9 (0.2)	97.4 (-0.1)	98.7 (0.0)	99.7 (0.0)	79.7 (0.3)	90.4 (-0.1)
	FQ4	0.3 (-75.0)	0.7 (-77.0)	3.2 (-92.9)	7.5 (-92.2)	8.9 (-88.6)	2.2 (-96.5)	8.7 (-91.0)	2.0 (-77.4)	4.2 (-86.3)
	INT8	75.3 (0.0)	77.7 (0.0)	96.1 (0.0)	99.9 (0.2)	97.5 (0.0)	98.7 (0.0)	99.7 (0.0)	79.4 (0.0)	90.5 (0.0)
	INT4	75.2 (-0.1)	77.8 (0.1)	96.1 (0.0)	99.9 (0.2)	97.4 (-0.1)	98.7 (0.0)	99.7 (0.0)	79.4 (0.0)	90.5 (0.0)
	INT3	75.4 (0.1)	78.9 (1.2)	96.0 (-0.1)	99.9 (0.2)	97.3 (-0.2)	99.0 (0.3)	99.7 (0.0)	79.4 (0.0)	90.7 (0.2)
	INT2	73.8 (-1.5)	73.3 (-4.4)	91.2 (-4.9)	94.8 (-4.9)	81.4 (-16.1)	81.8 (-16.9)	98.5 (-1.2)	73.2 (-6.2)	83.5 (-7.0)
Task Arithmetic [17]	FP32	55.2	54.9	66.7	78.9	80.2	69.7	97.3	50.4	69.2
	FQ8	53.7 (-1.5)	52.7 (-2.2)	66.2 (-0.5)	75.5 (-3.4)	79.7 (-0.5)	69.0 (-0.7)	97.2 (-0.1)	50.6 (0.2)	68.1 (-1.1)
	FQ4	0.3 (-54.9)	0.6 (-54.3)	1.7 (-65.0)	7.0 (-71.9)	9.1 (-71.1)	3.8 (-65.9)	8.9 (-88.4)	2.3 (-48.1)	4.2 (-65.0)
	INT8	55.2 (0.0)	55.0 (0.1)	66.7 (0.0)	77.4 (-1.5)	80.2 (0.0)	69.7 (0.0)	97.3 (0.0)	50.1 (-0.3)	69.0 (-0.2)
	INT4	55.6 (0.4)	55.0 (0.1)	66.9 (0.2)	77.7 (-1.2)	80.2 (0.0)	69.6 (-0.1)	97.3 (0.0)	50.5 (0.1)	69.1 (-0.1)
	INT3	60.8 (5.6)	59.0 (4.1)	71.6 (4.9)	79.5 (0.6)	79.2 (-1.0)	69.1 (-0.6)	97.1 (-0.2)	53.5 (3.1)	71.2 (2.0)
	INT2	66.1 (10.9)	62.4 (7.5)	69.8 (3.1)	66.6 (-12.3)	54.6 (-25.6)	43.2 (-26.5)	83.0 (-14.3)	50.8 (0.4)	62.1 (-7.1)
Ties-Merging [42]	RTVQ	58.1 (2.9)	56.8 (1.9)	70.4 (3.7)	81.8 (2.9)	77.6 (-2.6)	67.6 (-2.1)	98.8 (-0.5)	52.9 (2.5)	70.2 (1.0)
	FP32	65.0	64.4	74.8	77.4	81.2	69.3	96.5	54.5	72.9
	FQ8	56.1 (-8.9)	52.6 (-11.8)	63.8 (-11.0)	67.9 (-9.5)	73.6 (-7.6)	62.3 (-7.0)	94.7 (-1.8)	47.1 (-7.4)	64.8 (-8.1)
	FQ4	0.2 (-64.8)	0.5 (-63.9)	1.9 (-72.9)	9.0 (-68.4)	7.5 (-73.7)	2.2 (-67.1)	9.6 (-86.9)	2.4 (-52.1)	4.2 (-68.7)
	INT8	65.0 (0.0)	64.2 (-0.2)	74.6 (-0.2)	76.7 (-0.7)	81.2 (0.0)	69.4 (0.1)	96.6 (0.1)	54.2 (-0.3)	72.7 (-0.2)
	INT4	63.8 (-1.2)	63.5 (-0.9)	74.6 (-0.2)	77.5 (0.1)	78.9 (-2.3)	69.1 (-0.2)	95.7 (-0.8)	52.9 (-1.6)	72.0 (-0.9)
	INT3	64.5 (-0.5)	64.1 (-0.3)	71.9 (-2.9)	74.0 (-3.4)	88.6 (7.4)	74.0 (4.7)	98.2 (1.7)	53.4 (-1.1)	73.6 (0.7)
LiNes [37]	INT2	66.3 (1.3)	62.9 (-1.5)	69.7 (-5.1)	66.4 (-11.0)	56.4 (-24.8)	43.7 (-25.6)	84.8 (-11.7)	50.6 (-3.9)	62.6 (-10.3)
	RTVQ	61.9 (-3.1)	64.1 (-0.3)	77.3 (2.5)	75.9 (-1.5)	81.8 (0.6)	68.6 (-0.7)	96.4 (-0.1)	55.9 (1.4)	72.7 (-0.2)
	FP32	63.7	63.9	75.1	86.1	79.4	72.2	96.2	56.5	74.1
	FQ8	63.6 (-0.1)	62.7 (-1.2)	75.1 (0.0)	85.6 (-0.5)	79.4 (0.0)	72.6 (0.4)	96.0 (-0.2)	56.3 (-0.2)	73.9 (-0.2)
	FQ4	0.2 (-63.5)	0.3 (-63.6)	2.5 (-72.6)	8.9 (-77.2)	7.7 (-71.7)	5.9 (-66.3)	6.9 (-89.3)	1.7 (-54.8)	4.3 (-69.8)
	INT8	63.7 (0.0)	63.9 (0.0)	75.1 (0.0)	86.2 (0.1)	79.4 (0.0)	72.2 (0.0)	96.2 (0.0)	56.5 (0.0)	74.2 (0.1)
	INT4	63.9 (0.2)	64.2 (0.3)	75.5 (0.4)	86.1 (0.0)	79.3 (-0.1)	72.1 (-0.1)	96.1 (-0.1)	56.8 (0.3)	74.2 (0.1)
Consensus TA [36]	INT3	66.6 (2.9)	65.9 (2.0)	77.7 (2.6)	85.7 (-0.4)	77.2 (-2.2)	70.6 (-1.6)	95.7 (-0.5)	58.0 (1.5)	74.7 (0.6)
	INT2	66.4 (2.7)	63.1 (-0.8)	71.0 (-4.1)	64.9 (-21.2)	47.5 (-31.9)	42.7 (-29.5)	78.8 (-17.4)	51.2 (-5.3)	60.7 (-13.4)
	RTVQ	65.4 (1.7)	64.3 (0.4)	77.6 (2.5)	86.7 (0.6)	75.8 (-3.6)	69.5 (-2.7)	95.3 (-0.9)	58.7 (2.2)	74.2 (0.1)
	FP32	64.8	63.1	72.2	82.6	84.4	77.2	97.2	57.8	74.9
	FQ8	61.0 (-3.8)	52.7 (-10.4)	68.9 (-3.3)	77.3 (-5.3)	82.5 (-1.9)	73.1 (-4.1)	93.6 (-3.6)	55.3 (-2.5)	70.6 (-4.3)
	FQ4	0.4 (-64.4)	0.5 (-62.6)	1.8 (-70.4)	6.8 (-75.8)	8.0 (-76.4)	1.9 (-75.3)	8.2 (-89.0)	2.1 (-55.7)	3.7 (-71.2)
	INT8	64.8 (0.0)	63.1 (0.0)	72.2 (0.0)	82.5 (-0.1)	84.4 (0.0)	77.2 (0.0)	97.3 (0.1)	57.7 (-0.1)	74.9 (0.0)
AdaMerging [43]	INT4	64.9 (0.1)	63.1 (0.0)	72.7 (0.5)	82.8 (0.2)	84.2 (-0.2)	76.7 (-0.5)	97.2 (0.0)	57.8 (0.0)	74.9 (0.0)
	INT3	66.5 (1.7)	64.6 (1.5)	75.0 (2.8)	81.8 (-0.8)	81.4 (-3.0)	72.5 (-4.7)	96.6 (-0.6)	59.8 (2.0)	74.8 (-0.1)
	INT2	66.5 (1.7)	61.2 (-1.9)	69.5 (-2.7)	61.9 (-20.7)	46.4 (-38.0)	37.8 (-39.4)	71.0 (-26.2)	53.4 (-4.4)	58.5 (-16.4)
	RTVQ	67.7 (2.9)	63.9 (0.8)	76.6 (4.4)	79.9 (-2.7)	73.1 (-11.3)	64.7 (-12.5)	94.3 (-2.9)	61.2 (3.4)	72.7 (-2.2)
	FP32	64.7	70.2	83.6	94.2	85.7	94.2	97.7	63.7	81.8
	FQ8	63.5 (-1.2)	69.8 (-0.4)	83.9 (0.3)	93.1 (-1.1)	87.2 (1.5)	94.4 (0.2)	97.9 (0.2)	63.1 (-0.6)	81.6 (-0.2)
	FQ4	0.3 (-64.4)	0.5 (-69.7)	2.7 (-80.9)	9.0 (-85.2)	8.8 (-76.9)	4.0 (-90.2)	8.9 (-88.8)	2.1 (-61.6)	4.5 (-77.3)
EMR-Merging [16]	INT8	64.4 (-0.3)	70.5 (0.3)	83.7 (0.1)	92.7 (-1.5)	86.8 (1.1)	94.3 (0.1)	97.5 (-0.2)	62.6 (-1.1)	81.6 (-0.2)
	INT4	64.1 (-0.6)	70.4 (0.2)	83.2 (-0.4)	93.3 (-0.9)	86.7 (1.0)	94.2 (0.0)	97.7 (0.0)	62.1 (-1.6)	81.5 (-0.3)
	INT3	64.3 (-0.4)	71.3 (1.1)	83.8 (0.2)	93.0 (-1.2)	93.9 (2.2)	94.3 (0.1)	97.8 (0.1)	63.5 (-0.2)	82.0 (0.2)
	INT2	63.4 (-1.3)	64.8 (-5.4)	84.0 (0.4)	90.7 (-3.5)	88.5 (2.8)	71.2 (-23.0)	98.5 (0.8)	63.7 (0.0)	78.1 (-3.7)
	RTVQ	66.3 (1.6)	71.5 (1.3)	84.6 (1.0)	92.7 (-1.5)	88.2 (2.5)	93.5 (-0.7)	98.1 (0.4)	67.8 (4.1)	82.8 (1.0)
	FP32	71.8	72.8	93.5	99.4	96.9	98.1	99.6	74.4	88.3
	FQ8	73.6 (1.8)	75.9 (3.1)	94.0 (0.5)	99.0 (-0.4)	96.6 (-0.3)	97.2 (-0.9)	99.6 (0.0)	73.4 (-1.0)	88.7 (0.4)
EMR-Merging [16]	FQ4	0.3 (-71.5)	0.6 (-72.2)	2.8 (-90.7)	5.8 (-93.6)	9.5 (-87.4)	1.5 (-96.6)	8.0 (-91.6)	2.7 (-71.7)	3.9 (-84.4)
	INT8	72.0 (0.2)	72.9 (0.1)	93.7 (0.2)	99.4 (0.0)	96.9 (0.0)	98.2 (0.1)	99.6 (0.0)	74.5 (0.1)	88.4 (0.1)
	INT4	74.1 (2.3)	76.4 (3.6)	94.9 (1.4)	99.7 (0.3)	97.3 (0.4)	98.6 (0.5)	99.6 (0.0)	77.4 (3.0)	89.8 (1.5)
	INT3	74.9 (3.1)	78.0 (5.2)	95.2 (1.7)	99.6 (0.2)	97.2 (0.3)	98.4 (0.3)	99.7 (0.1)	77.1 (2.7)	90.0 (1.7)
	INT2	71.5 (-0.3)	70.5 (-2.3)	84.9 (-8.6)	89.0 (-10.4)	72.4 (-24.5)	68.0 (-30.1)	96.3 (-3.3)	64.9 (-9.5)	77.2 (-11.1)
	RTVQ	71.4 (-0.4)	71.4 (-1.4)	88.6 (-4.9)	94.2 (-5.2)	89.7 (-7.2)	84.3 (-13.8)	99.0 (-0.6)	66.6 (-7.8)	83.2 (-5.1)

Table E. Comprehensive task-level results for merging 8 classification tasks using ViT-B/32. For RTVQ, we use a 3-bit base vector and a 2-bit offset vector (equivalent to 2.375 bits per task).

Method		SUN	Cars	RES.	Euro	SVH.	GTS.	MNI.	DTD	Avg.
Individual	FP32	82.3	92.4	97.4	100	98.1	99.2	99.7	84.1	94.2
	FT8	82.3 (0.0)	92.2 (-0.2)	97.3 (-0.1)	99.9 (-0.1)	98.1 (0.0)	99.2 (0.0)	99.7 (0.0)	84.7 (0.6)	94.2 (0.0)
	FT4	0.2 (-82.1)	0.5 (-91.9)	2.7 (-94.7)	4.0 (-96.0)	8.0 (-90.1)	2.4 (-96.8)	14.8 (-84.9)	1.8 (-82.3)	4.3 (-89.9)
	INT8	82.3 (0.0)	92.4 (0.0)	97.4 (0.0)	99.9 (-0.1)	98.1 (0.0)	99.2 (0.0)	99.7 (0.0)	84.1 (0.0)	94.1 (-0.1)
	INT4	82.3 (0.0)	92.4 (0.0)	97.4 (0.0)	99.9 (-0.1)	98.1 (0.0)	99.2 (0.0)	99.7 (0.0)	84.3 (0.2)	94.2 (0.0)
	INT3	82.3 (0.0)	92.5 (0.1)	97.4 (0.0)	99.9 (-0.1)	98.1 (0.0)	99.2 (0.0)	99.7 (0.0)	84.3 (0.2)	94.2 (0.0)
	INT2	80.5 (-1.8)	90.9 (-1.5)	96.3 (-1.1)	99.3 (-0.7)	87.5 (-10.6)	93.7 (-5.5)	99.3 (-0.4)	80.0 (-4.1)	90.9 (-3.3)
Task Arithmetic [17]	FP32	74.1	82.1	86.7	92.6	87.9	86.8	98.9	65.6	84.3
	FQ8	73.8 (-0.3)	81.6 (-0.5)	86.3 (-0.4)	92.9 (0.3)	87.6 (-0.3)	86.1 (-0.7)	98.9 (0.0)	65.6 (0.0)	84.1 (-0.2)
	FQ4	0.2 (-73.9)	0.5 (-81.6)	1.5 (-85.2)	9.6 (-83.0)	9.7 (-78.2)	2.1 (-84.7)	9.8 (-89.1)	2.4 (-63.2)	4.5 (-79.8)
	INT8	74.1 (0.0)	82.1 (0.0)	86.7 (0.0)	92.6 (0.0)	87.9 (0.0)	86.8 (0.0)	98.9 (0.0)	65.6 (0.0)	84.3 (0.0)
	INT4	74.1 (0.0)	82.2 (0.1)	86.7 (0.0)	92.7 (0.1)	87.8 (-0.1)	86.7 (-0.1)	98.9 (0.0)	65.9 (0.3)	84.4 (0.1)
	INT3	74.5 (0.4)	83.3 (1.2)	87.7 (1.0)	93.5 (0.9)	87.0 (-0.9)	86.9 (0.1)	98.9 (0.0)	66.9 (1.3)	84.8 (0.5)
	INT2	72.8 (-1.3)	82.8 (0.7)	84.0 (-2.7)	86.1 (-6.5)	72.9 (-15.0)	65.5 (-21.3)	94.2 (-4.7)	64.7 (-0.9)	77.9 (-6.4)
Ties-Merging [42]	RTVQ	80.5 (0.9)	83.0 (0.9)	87.8 (1.1)	93.0 (0.4)	86.6 (-1.9)	86.6 (-0.2)	98.3 (-0.1)	80.0 (-4.1)	84.8 (0.5)
	FP32	75.0	84.5	88.0	94.3	85.7	82.1	98.7	67.7	84.5
	FQ8	71.2 (-3.8)	77.0 (-7.5)	79.5 (-8.5)	86.0 (-8.3)	80.8 (-4.9)	72.8 (-9.3)	97.9 (-0.8)	61.5 (-6.2)	78.3 (-6.2)
	FQ4	0.2 (-74.8)	0.5 (-84.0)	4.5 (-83.5)	5.1 (-89.2)	7.8 (-77.9)	3.0 (-79.1)	10.3 (-88.4)	1.8 (-65.9)	4.2 (-80.3)
	INT8	75.0 (0.0)	84.5 (0.0)	88.0 (0.0)	94.3 (0.0)	85.7 (0.0)	82.1 (0.0)	98.7 (0.0)	67.8 (0.1)	84.5 (0.0)
	INT4	75.0 (0.0)	84.4 (-0.1)	88.2 (0.2)	94.3 (0.0)	85.9 (0.2)	82.9 (0.8)	98.6 (-0.1)	67.8 (0.1)	84.6 (0.1)
	INT3	76.4 (1.4)	85.7 (1.2)	88.0 (0.0)	93.6 (-0.7)	89.0 (3.3)	82.6 (0.5)	99.1 (0.4)	67.7 (0.0)	85.3 (0.8)
LiNes [37]	INT2	73.3 (-1.7)	83.1 (-1.4)	84.4 (-3.6)	85.9 (-8.4)	73.8 (-11.9)	64.2 (-17.9)	94.8 (-3.9)	64.5 (-3.2)	78.0 (-6.5)
	RTVQ	74.9 (-0.1)	83.6 (-0.9)	86.1 (-1.9)	91.5 (-2.8)	79.7 (-6.0)	72.6 (-9.5)	97.6 (-1.1)	67.1 (-0.6)	81.6 (-2.9)
	FP32	74.5	85.4	88.8	95.4	90.8	90.8	99.3	70.4	86.9
	FQ8	73.9 (-0.6)	84.2 (-1.2)	88.2 (-0.6)	95.4 (0.0)	90.8 (-0.5)	89.8 (-1.0)	99.3 (0.0)	69.7 (-0.7)	86.4 (-0.5)
	FQ4	0.3 (-74.2)	0.5 (-84.9)	3.6 (-85.2)	13.7 (-81.7)	8.8 (-82.0)	4.3 (-86.5)	9.8 (-89.5)	2.2 (-68.2)	5.4 (-81.5)
	INT8	74.5 (0.0)	85.4 (0.0)	88.8 (0.0)	95.4 (0.0)	90.8 (0.0)	90.8 (0.0)	99.3 (0.0)	70.4 (0.0)	86.9 (0.0)
	INT4	74.5 (0.0)	85.4 (0.0)	88.8 (0.0)	95.4 (0.0)	90.7 (-0.1)	90.8 (0.0)	99.3 (0.0)	70.6 (0.2)	86.9 (0.0)
Consensus TA [36]	INT3	75.4 (0.9)	86.5 (1.1)	90.4 (1.6)	95.8 (0.4)	90.2 (-0.6)	91.6 (0.8)	99.3 (0.0)	72.4 (2.0)	87.7 (0.8)
	INT2	75.4 (0.9)	85.8 (0.4)	88.7 (-0.1)	91.4 (-4.0)	74.6 (-16.2)	72.7 (-18.1)	95.7 (-3.6)	69.7 (-0.7)	81.8 (-5.1)
	RTVQ	75.3 (0.8)	86.4 (1.0)	90.2 (1.4)	95.4 (0.0)	89.3 (-1.5)	91.3 (0.5)	99.3 (0.0)	74.1 (3.7)	87.7 (0.8)
	FP32	74.9	83.0	88.1	95.4	91.3	91.5	99.1	69.6	86.6
	FQ8	73.0 (-1.9)	78.7 (-4.3)	85.5 (-2.6)	94.7 (-0.7)	89.4 (-1.9)	89.2 (-2.3)	98.8 (-0.3)	67.5 (-2.1)	84.6 (-2.0)
	FQ4	0.1 (-74.8)	0.5 (-82.5)	3.2 (-84.9)	9.2 (-86.2)	6.7 (-84.6)	2.1 (-89.4)	9.8 (-89.3)	1.6 (-68.0)	4.2 (-82.4)
	INT8	74.9 (0.0)	83.0 (0.0)	88.1 (0.0)	95.4 (0.0)	91.3 (0.0)	91.5 (0.0)	99.1 (0.0)	69.5 (-0.1)	86.6 (0.0)
AdaMerging [43]	INT4	75.0 (0.1)	82.8 (-0.2)	88.2 (0.1)	95.5 (0.1)	91.2 (-0.1)	91.5 (0.0)	99.1 (0.0)	69.8 (0.2)	86.6 (0.0)
	INT3	75.4 (0.5)	83.9 (0.9)	89.5 (1.4)	95.7 (0.3)	89.9 (-1.4)	91.7 (0.2)	99.0 (-0.1)	71.7 (2.1)	87.1 (0.5)
	INT2	74.3 (-0.6)	83.8 (0.8)	86.9 (-1.2)	85.3 (-10.1)	70.7 (-20.6)	69.0 (-22.5)	92.0 (-7.1)	70.1 (0.5)	79.0 (-7.6)
	RTVQ	76.3 (1.4)	84.8 (1.8)	90.5 (2.4)	95.4 (0.0)	87.1 (-4.2)	90.9 (-0.6)	98.6 (-0.5)	75.0 (5.4)	87.3 (0.7)
	FP32	77.0	90.6	91.2	96.6	93.5	97.8	99.1	80.2	90.8
	FQ8	76.9 (-0.1)	90.5 (-0.1)	91.5 (0.3)	96.2 (-0.4)	93.6 (0.1)	97.9 (0.1)	99.0 (-0.1)	80.5 (0.3)	90.8 (0.0)
	FQ4	0.3 (-76.7)	0.5 (-90.1)	2.1 (-89.1)	11.7 (-84.9)	9.7 (-83.8)	2.1 (-95.7)	9.8 (-89.3)	2.1 (-78.1)	4.8 (-86.0)
EMR-Merging [16]	INT8	77.3 (0.3)	90.7 (0.1)	91.5 (0.3)	96.6 (0.0)	93.9 (0.4)	98.1 (0.3)	99.0 (-0.1)	80.2 (0.0)	90.9 (0.1)
	INT4	77.2 (0.2)	90.7 (0.1)	91.9 (0.7)	96.1 (-0.5)	93.8 (0.3)	98.0 (0.2)	99.1 (0.0)	80.3 (0.1)	90.9 (0.1)
	INT3	77.3 (0.3)	90.7 (0.1)	91.8 (0.6)	96.1 (-0.5)	93.7 (0.2)	98.3 (0.5)	99.1 (0.0)	80.7 (0.5)	91.0 (0.2)
	INT2	77.7 (0.7)	88.8 (-1.8)	92.3 (1.1)	96.4 (-0.2)	88.6 (-4.9)	94.6 (-3.2)	99.0 (-0.1)	78.1 (-2.1)	89.4 (-1.4)
	RTVQ	76.8 (-0.2)	90.7 (0.1)	91.7 (0.5)	96.6 (0.0)	92.9 (-0.6)	97.9 (0.1)	99.2 (0.1)	81.2 (1.0)	90.9 (0.1)
	FP32	81.1	90.7	96.8	99.7	97.9	99.1	99.7	82.7	93.5
	FQ8	80.3 (-0.8)	90.8 (0.1)	96.4 (-0.4)	99.7 (0.0)	97.3 (-0.6)	98.2 (-0.9)	99.6 (-0.1)	79.8 (-2.9)	92.8 (-0.7)
Task Arithmetic [17]	FQ4	0.2 (-80.9)	0.6 (-90.1)	2.5 (-94.3)	5.1 (-94.6)	8.2 (-89.7)	2.7 (-96.4)	13.9 (-85.8)	2.3 (-80.4)	4.4 (-89.1)
	INT8	81.2 (0.1)	90.8 (0.1)	96.8 (0.0)	99.7 (0.0)	98.0 (0.1)	99.1 (0.0)	99.7 (0.0)	82.8 (0.1)	93.5 (0.0)
	INT4	81.7 (0.6)	91.5 (0.8)	97.3 (0.5)	99.8 (0.1)	98.1 (0.2)	99.2 (0.1)	99.8 (0.1)	83.5 (0.8)	93.9 (0.4)
	INT3	82.2 (1.1)	91.9 (1.2)	97.3 (0.5)	99.8 (0.1)	98.1 (0.2)	99.2 (0.1)	99.7 (0.0)	83.0 (0.3)	93.9 (0.4)
	INT2	78.3 (-2.8)	89.1 (-1.6)	94.2 (-2.6)	97.8 (-1.9)	83.0 (-14.9)	84.7 (-14.4)	98.4 (-1.3)	75.4 (-7.3)	87.6 (-5.9)
	RTVQ	79.1 (-2.0)	89.0 (-1.7)	94.5 (-2.3)	97.9 (-1.8)	91.9 (-6.0)	93.8 (-5.3)	99.3 (-0.4)	76.8 (-5.9)	90.3 (-3.2)

Table F. Comprehensive task-level results for merging 8 classification tasks using ViT-L/14. For RTVQ, we use a 3-bit base vector and a 2-bit offset vector (equivalent to 2.375 bits per task).

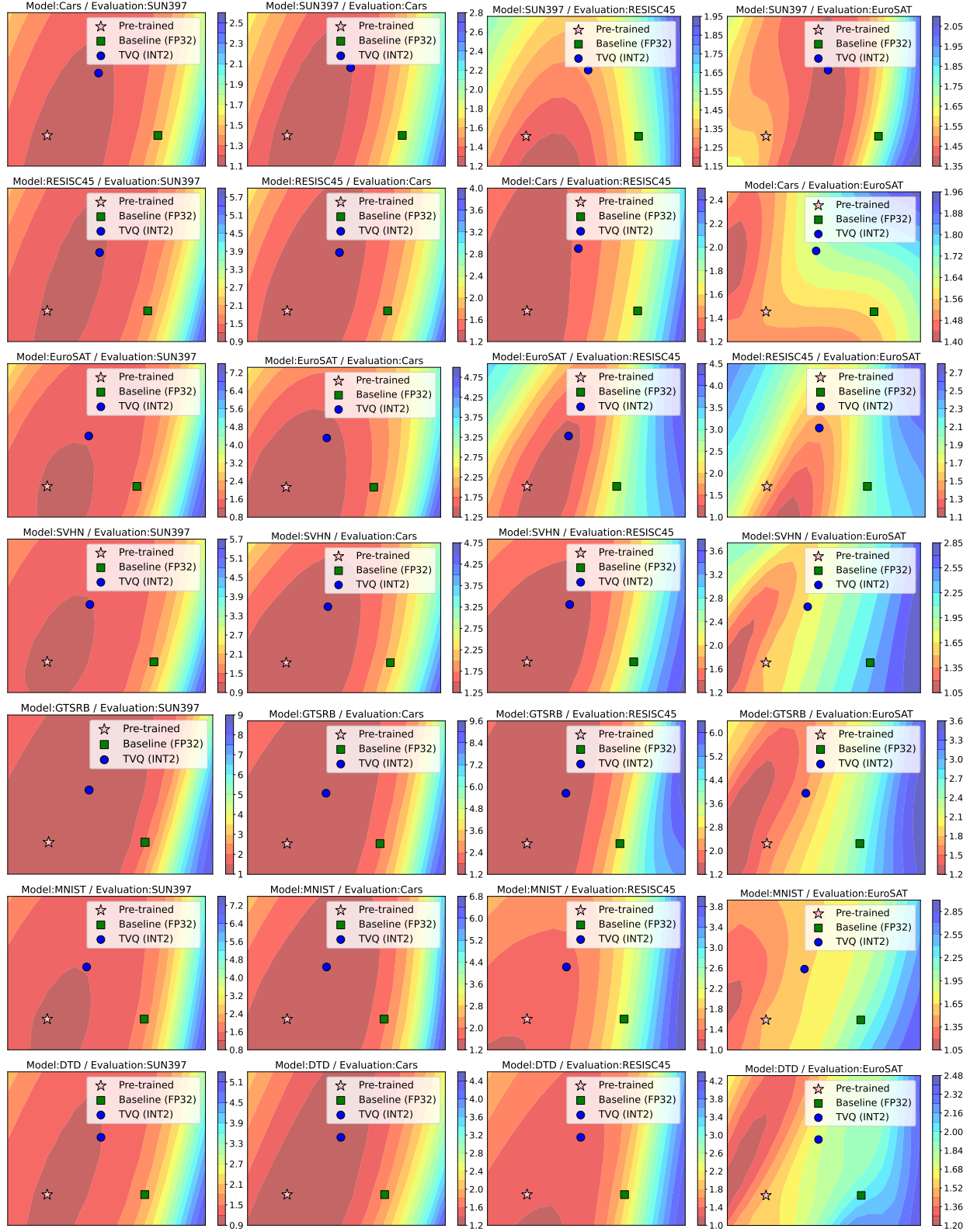


Figure F. Loss landscape visualization of cross task pairs for 2-bit TVQ. The results show evaluations on SUN397, Cars, RESISC45, and EuroSAT.

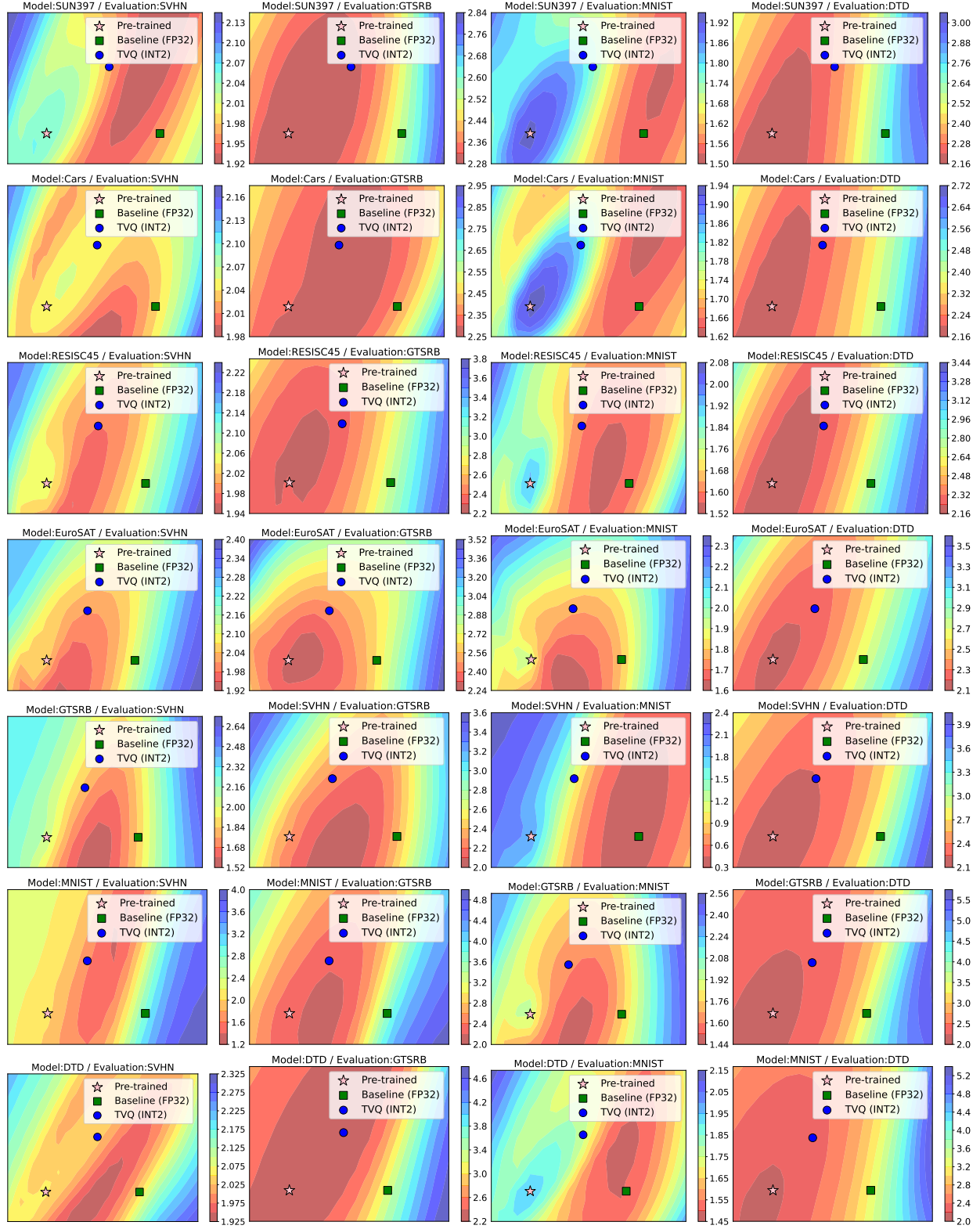


Figure G. Loss landscape visualization of cross task pairs for 2-bit TVQ. The results show evaluations on SVHN, GTSRB, MNIST, and DTD.

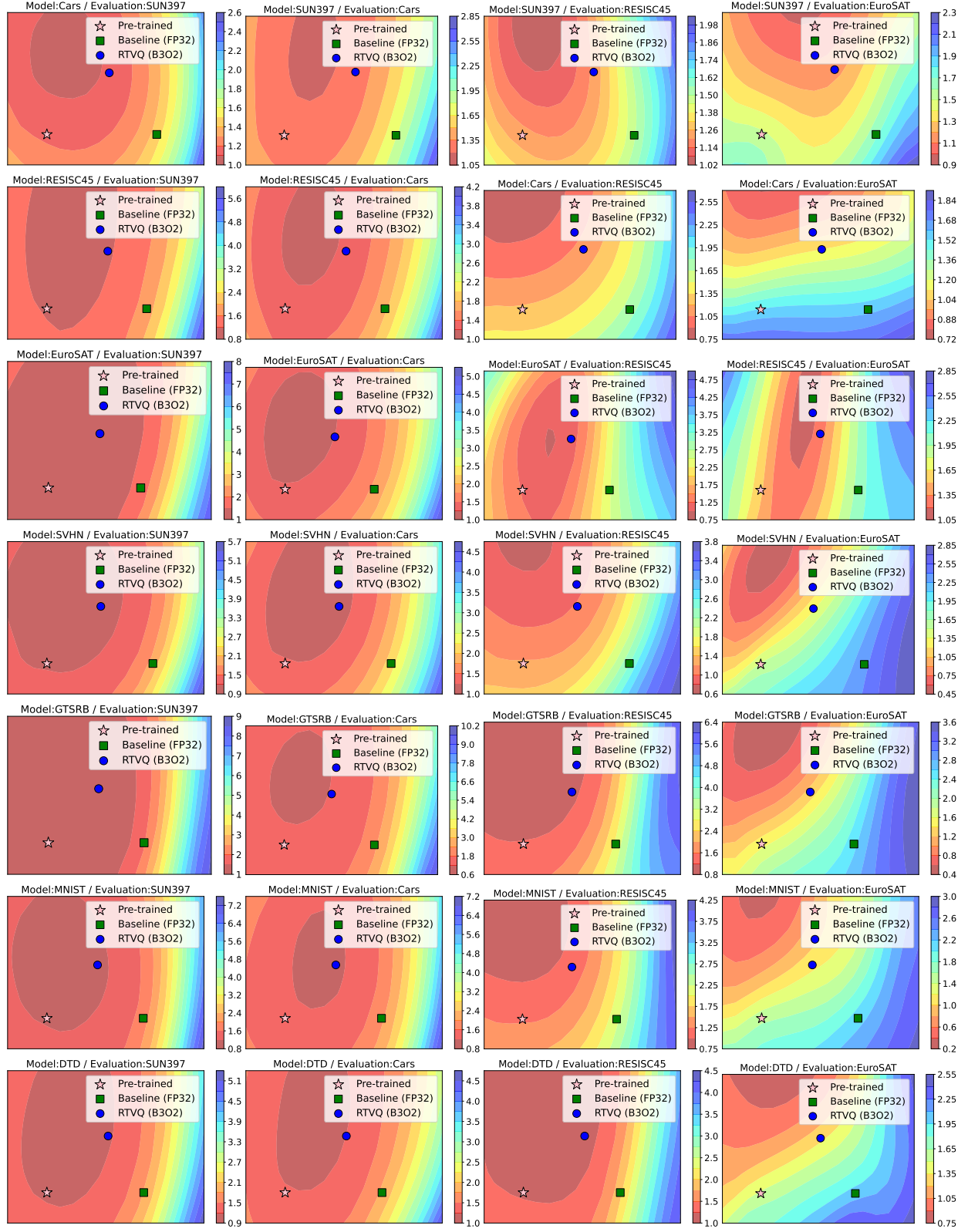


Figure H. Loss landscape visualization of cross task pairs for RTVQ (B2O3). The results show evaluations on SUN397, Cars, RESISC45, and EuroSAT.

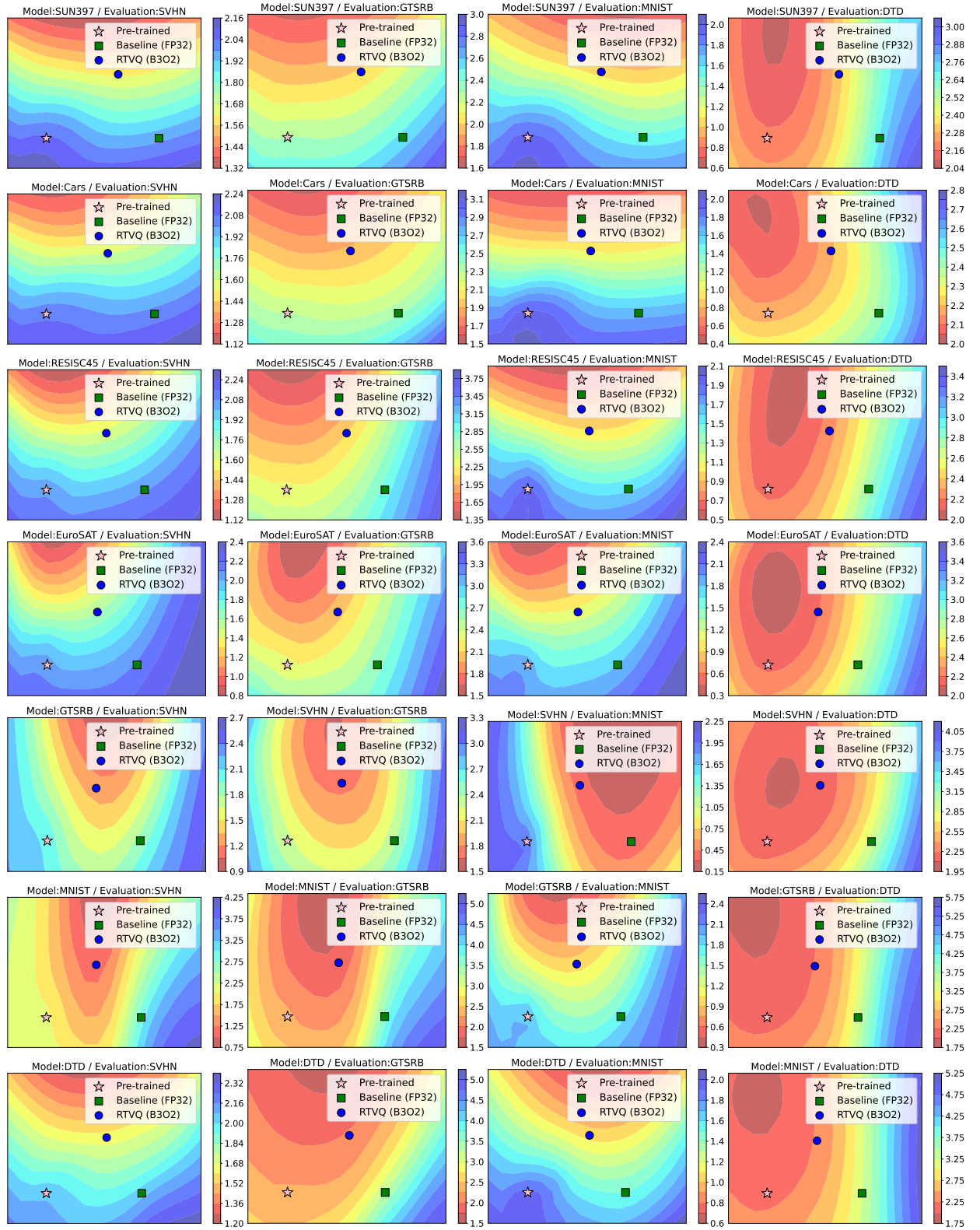


Figure I. Loss landscape visualization of cross task pairs for RTVQ (B2O3). The results show evaluations on SVHN, GTSRB, MNIST, and DTD.

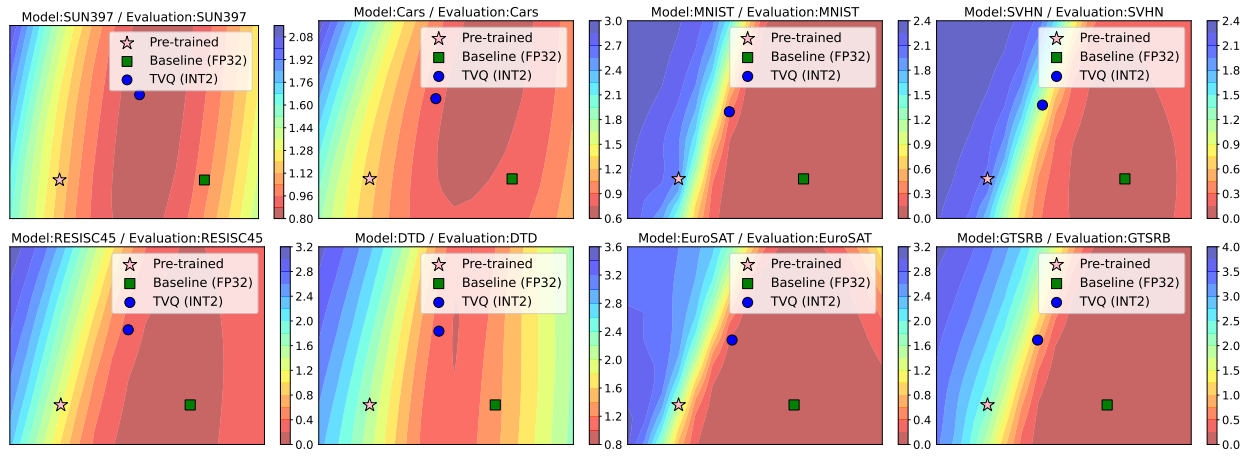


Figure J. Loss landscape visualization of all target task pairs for 2-bit TVQ.

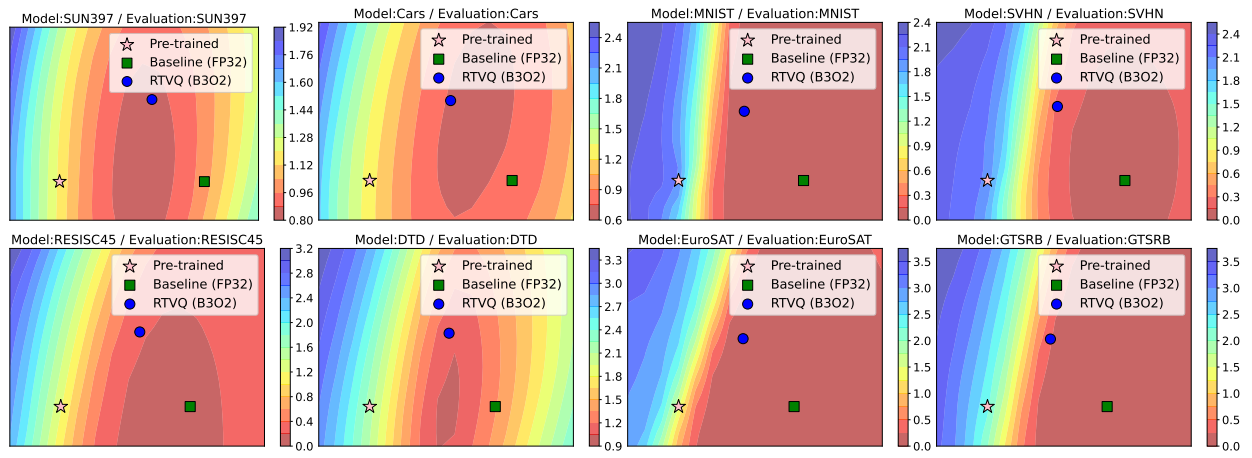


Figure K. Loss landscape visualization of all target task pairs for RTVQ (B2O3).

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