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A Comparative Analysis of CPU and GPU-Based Cloud Platforms for CNN Binary Classification

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Introduction

Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs):

• Specialized for image classification,

detection, and segmentation.

- Extract features using pooling layers for accurate predictions.
- Inspired by the human visual cortex.
- Trained on extensive datasets with backpropagation and human-configured parameters.

Image adapted from Ng, Andrew. "AI for Everyone." Coursera.

Goals and Objectives of our paper

The goal of our paper is to:

- Evaluate CNN binary classification performance on CPU and GPU cloud platforms.
- Provide comprehensive benchmarking analysis of computational efficiency.

Objectives of our study are:

- Comparative analysis of CPU vs. GPU performance for CNNs.
- Methodological insights into implementing CNNs on different architectures.
- Empirical data from extensive experiments on benchmarking datasets.
- Practical guidelines for deploying CNN models on CPU and GPU platforms.

Literature Review

Importance of CNNs:

- GPUs outperform CPUs by 2 to 24 times in CNN tasks due to parallel processing capabilities (Strigl et al., 2010; Cengil et al., 2017).
- CPUs have sequential processing limitations (Strigl et al., 2010).

Performance Factors:

- Power efficiency and cost are critical in hardware selection (Süzen, 2020).
- CPUs in embedded systems achieve 65% of a PC's GPU performance with only 2.6% of the power (Oh et al., 2017).

Benchmarking Studies:

• Machine learning models predict CNN execution time, power, and memory usage to aid hardware selection (Bouzidi et al., 2022).

Methodology

1. CNN Architecture:

- The architecture includes input layers, convolutional and pooling layers, and fully connected layers.
- The goal is to recognize and interpret intricate patterns in the dataset, consisting of highquality images of dogs and cats.

Image adapted from Phung, V. H. and E. J. Rhee (2018). Journal of information and communication convergence engineering **16**(3): 173-178.

Methodology y

Utilized comprehensive datasets from Kaggle and Google.

2. Data Acquisition

Included a diverse collection of high-quality images of various dog and cat breeds.

These datasets are essential for training and evaluating the CNN models effectively.

Methodology

3. Experimental setup:

- Trained CNN model using Google Colab with Keras support on Google Cloud's CPUs and GPUs.
- Achieved high training speeds and used network pruning without losing accuracy.
- Made minor code adjustments to improve GPU performance and ensure consistency.
- Imported data from Google Drive, transitioned from CPU to GPU training, and optimized tensor operations and memory management for faster, accurate results.

Evaluation Metrics

1. True Positive Rate (TPR):

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TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN} \qquad \Longrightarrow
$$

- Measures the proportion of correctly identified positive instances.
- Essential for evaluating the model's accuracy in scenarios with class imbalances.

2. Training Time:

- Monitored to assess model efficiency across different hardware setups.
- Highlights trade-offs between accuracy and speed.

Results

Trained model on an 8000-image dataset of dogs and cats.

 Batch sizes (16, 32, 64, 128) and Epochs (1 to 5).

 Used 1000-image dataset for comparative analysis.

- CPU has a better TPR than GPU in the early epoch.
- GPU shows consistent improvement, especially in later epochs.
- GPU achieves peak TPR in the fourth epoch.
- Overall, GPUs demonstrate superior performance in extensive training iterations compared to CPUs.

Training Time (seconds)

1000

750

500

250

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Figure Observations GPU $\overline{2}$ 5 **Epoch** Training Time by Epoch **GPU CPU**

- GPUs have consistently lower training times than CPUs initially.
- CPU times rise significantly; GPU times remain stable and faster.
- GPUs reduce training time for each epoch, proving superior efficiency.

- Both CPU and GPU perform well across batch sizes; CPUs slightly outperform GPUs at smaller sizes.
- TPR remains high and consistent for both, showing their effectiveness in binary classification tasks.

Figure Observations GPU CPU Training Time (seconds) 800 600 400 200 Ω 16 32 64 128 **Batch Size** Training Time by Epoch **GPU** CPU -1 90

- GPUs have consistently shorter training times across all batch sizes compared to CPUs.
- GPU training times remain stable as batch sizes increase, while CPU times rise.
- GPUs offer a clear advantage in training time efficiency over CPUs.
- GPUs reach high TPR with shorter training times compared to CPUs.
- GPUs achieve peak TPR faster than CPUs.
- CPUs show a slight TPR decline beyond 600 seconds, while GPUs maintain stable high performance.

Conclusion & Future work

- GPUs consistently outperformed CPUs in training efficiency and execution speed.
- GPUs achieved higher or comparable True Positive Rates (TPR) with marked performance consistency.
- GPUs showed superior efficiency, especially with increased batch sizes, compared to CPUs.
- GPUs offer substantial advantages in speed and accuracy for extensive CNN tasks.
- Include more hardware models, such as NVIDIA's Tesla and RTX series.

Conclusion

- Better understand CPU and GPU performance differences to select optimal hardware for CNN tasks.
- Conduct cost and performance analysis to improve hardware selection and

Future Work

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