



# INTEL® OPTIMIZED CAFFE PERFORMANCE AND CONVERGENCE

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# Intel® Optimized Caffe Training Performance

Topology	Batch Size	Images/s
Default_Resnet50	512	135
SSD/VGG16	32	18

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\* Please find the configuration at page 6.

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# Intel® Optimized Caffe Inference Performance

## FP32 Inference: 1 instance on 1 sockets

Topology	Batch Size	Images/s
Default_Resnet50	448	368
SSD/VGG16	448	29

## FP32 Inference: 2 instance , 1 on each socket

Topology	Batch Size	Images/s
Default_Resnet50	448	733
SSD/VGG16	448	59

## Int8 Inference: 1 instance on 1 socket

Topology	Batch Size	Images/s
Default_Resnet50	448	517
SSD/VGG16	448	46

## Int8 Inference: 2 instances, 1 on each socket

Topology	Batch Size	Images/s
Default_Resnet50	448	1035
SSD/VGG16	448	92

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# Intel® Optimized Caffe Convergence and Time To Train

Topology	Node Number	Batch Size	Time To Train in Hours	Accuracy
Default_Resnet50	16	16*128=2048	28	Top-1=75.7% Top-5=92.7%
SSD/VGG16	1	1*32	64	detection_eval = 77.5%

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# Configurations

Benchmark Metric	Training images/s [1]	Inference images/s [2]	Time To Train
Framework	Intel® Optimized Caffe	Intel® Optimized Caffe	Intel® Optimized Caffe
# of Nodes	1	1,	As table in P5
Platform	8180	8180	6148
Sockets	2	1, 2	2
Processor	Intel(R) Xeon(R) Platinum 8180 CPU @ 2.50GHz	Intel(R) Xeon(R) Platinum 8180 CPU @ 2.50GHz	Intel(R) Xeon(R) Gold 6148 CPU @ 2.40GHz
BIOS	SE5C620.86B.0X.01.0076.101320171718	SE5C620.86B.0X.01.0076.101320171718	SE5C620.86B.00.01.0009.101920170742
QDF (Indicate QS / ES2)	QS	QS	QS
Enabled Cores	56	28,56	40
Slots	12 / 24	12 / 24	12
Total Memory	192 GiB	192 GiB	192 GiB
Memory Configuration	12 slots / 16 GiB / DDR4 /2666 MHz	12 slots / 16 GiB / DDR4 /2666 MHz	12 slots / 16 GiB/DDR4/ 2666MHz
Memory Comments	Kingston/Micron/Samsung	Kingston/Micron/Samsung	Micron
SSD	480GB SSD	480GB SSD	800GB SSD
OS	CentOS Linux-7.3.1611-Core	CentOS Linux-7.3.1611-Core	Oracle Linux Server release 7.4
HT	ON	ON	ON
Turbo	ON	ON	ON
Computer Type	Server	Server	Server
Framework Version	f6d01efbe93f70726ea3796a4b89c612365a6341	f6d01efbe93f70726ea3796a4b89c612365a6341	f6d01efbe93f70726ea3796a4b89c612365a6341
Topology Version, BATCHSIZE	as in table	as in table	as in table
Dataset, version	Dummy data layer	Dummy data layer	default_resnet50: raw lmdb; others: 256x256 resized lmdb
Performance command	caffe time --model [model].prototxt -iterations 100 -engine=MKLDNN	caffe time --model [model].prototxt -iterations 100 -engine=MKLDNN --forward_only --phase TEST	scripts/run_intelcaffe.sh --hostfile hosts.current --mode train --debug off --network opa --num_msl_servers -1 --engine MKLDNN --num_omp_threads 0 --priority_queue off --solver solver.prototxt --output intelcaffe_workspace --benchmark none
Compiler	icpc version 18.0.1	icpc version 18.0.1	icpc version 18.0.1
MKL Library version	version: mklml_lnx_2018.0.1.20171227	version: mklml_lnx_2018.0.1.20171227	version: mklml_lnx_2018.0.1.20171227
MKL DNN Library Version	ae00102be506ed0fe2099c6557df2aa88ad57ec1	ae00102be506ed0fe2099c6557df2aa88ad57ec1	ae00102be506ed0fe2099c6557df2aa88ad57ec1
Performance Measurement Knobs	/	1 instance on 1 sockets: OMP_NUM_THREADS=28As in scripts/run_intelcaffe.sh KMP_AFFINITY=granularity=fine,compact taskset -c 0-27 <command> 2 instances on 2 sockets: OMP_NUM_THREADS=28 KMP_AFFINITY=granularity=fine,compact taskset 0-27 <command> & taskset 28-55 <command> & Wait	
Memory knobs	numactl -l	numactl -l	numactl -l

[1,2]: Performance estimates were obtained prior to implementation of recent software patches and firmware updates intended to address exploits referred to as "Spectre" and "Meltdown." Implementation of these updates may make these results inapplicable to your device or system.

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