Cloud and Machine Learning

Project 1: "ImageNet on BareMetal/Cloud"

PART 1: Running ImageNet on Bare metal

The steps followed have been listed below:

1. Access the Price Cluster

Use an SSH Client to connect to the Prince Cluster:

- We used PuTTY to connect to host gw.hpc.nyu.edu on port 22 using SSH protocol.
- Enter your NetID password and you should be authorized on the gateway server.
- Use the following ssh command to connect to the prince cluster. ssh prince.hpc.nyu.edu
- 2. Get access to the ImageNet dataset that we will be using for the project. The dataset can be found on the prince cluster /scratch/work/public/imagenet
- 3. We proceed to create a small subset of the training data for our use under /home/net-id We divide the data into train and val subsets that will be used for the training and validation of the model we create.
- 4. Get the Imagenet example from pytorch. git clone https://github.com/pytorch/examples
- Move to the imagenet folder containing the python code.
 cd examples → cd imagenet
- Get an interactive node
 Login into frontend node. ssh prince1.hpc.nyu.edu
 srun -t10:00:00 --gres=gpu:1 --mem 102400 --pty /bin/bash
- 7. Load module. We are using the stable version. module load python3/intel/3.6.3 cuda/9.0.176 nccl/cuda9.0/2.4.2
- 8. Setup the python virtual environment.
 - mkdir pytorch env
 - cd pytorch_env
 - virtualenv --system-site-packages py3.6.3
 - source py3.6.3/bin/activate

- Install pytorch
 pip3 install http://download.pytorch.org/whl/cu92/torch-0.4.1-cp36-cp36m-linux x86 64.whl
- Install torchvision pip3 install torchvision

/home/as13594/

- Activate the virtual environment.
 source ~/pytorch env/py3.6.3/bin/activate
- 10. Run the job. To train the model we run 'main.py' with the desired model architecture(Alexnet) and a path to the Imagenet dataset. python /home/as13594/examples/imagenet/main.py -a alexnet -b 8 --epochs 1 --Ir 0.01
- 11. Use nvprof for profiling the performance and run the job on the reserved GPU nodes using the following command srun --reservation=chung --gres=gpu:1 --time=01:00:00 --gres=gpu:p40:4 --cpus-per-task=28 nvprof python /home/as13594/examples/imagenet/main.py -a alexnet -b 20 --epochs 1 --lr 0.01 /home/as13594/

PART 2: Running ImageNet on Cloud

For the second part of the project we run the code on a Google Colab notebook on the AWS Cloud Computing Platform.

- 1. We begin with login onto the Google Colaboratory.
- 2. Upload the python file containing the source code that needs to be run on the drive.
- 3. Create a notebook instance.
- 4. Once the notebook instance has been created, we mount the drive containing the data(testing and validation) to be used for building the model. from google.colab import drive drive.mount('/content/gdrive')
- 5. Change runtime type to GPU.
- Run the code.
 python /home/as13594/examples/imagenet/main.py -a alexnet -b 8 --epochs 1 --lr 0.01 /home/as13594/



Implementation and Analysis:

As a part of this project we attempt to train a model with the desired model architecture(Alexnet) on the Imagenet dataset using pytorch and run it on both BareMetal and Cloud platforms to access its relative performance on both platforms.

1. Usability:

- BareMetal- A bare metal server is a single tenant physical server. Since they offer single-tenet environments i.e. a single servers' physical resources may not be shared between two or more tenets, they can be used to run dedicated services without any interruptions for longer durations. Bare-metal servers offer isolation and are free of the "noisy neighbor" effect that plagues virtual environments. Network latency is minimized for better performance, and the tenant enjoys root access. Bare metal is highly customizable, and the tenant may optimize the server based upon their individual needs.
 - Bare metal servers do not require the use of several layers of software, unlike the virtual environment, which has at least one additional layer of software a Type 1 hypervisor. This implies that there is one less layer of software between the user and the physical hardware in everyday use. Hence, we can expect better performance.
- Cloud: Cloud offers a distributed environment comprised of multi-tenant, virtualized servers. The host machine shares its resources with multiple virtual instances. They each get a portion of CPU, RAM and storage. Cloud Servers allow you to add resources to individual virtual machines (vertical scaling) or add whole new servers (horizontal scaling) at any time, in a matter of minutes. This scalability makes Cloud Servers better suited to variable workloads, where the ability to dynamically scale performance is more important than sheer horsepower. Cloud computing environments are more prone to latency for various reasons. For example, if VMs are on separate networks, it can lead to packet delays. With cloud environments, you do not have a direct connection with the physical hardware, as there is a hypervisor layer between your app and physical resources. Thus, the chances are that VMs will suffer from a higher latency than if you were running apps directly on a bare metal server. Furthermore, performance bottlenecks may occur due to the sheer number of tenants. If you have noisy neighbors who like to run resource-intensive workloads on their share of the server, they may very well impact you leading to degraded performance.

Analysis of Usability between BareMetal and Cloud:

Running our program on both BareMetal and Cloud environments gave us a chance to explore the pros and cons of both domains.

- Google Collaboratory offered a more friendly user interface. It was relatively easy to mount data and process it on a GPU using a notebook. There was no need for the user to manage the dependencies/configuration of the execution environment.
- In case of BareMetal, we had to set up our own virtual execution environment before we were able to run any jobs on the GPU. It was relatively more tedious to transfer the data to the server and to run the jobs.
- GPU based cloud computing provides the ease of scalability as opposed to BareMetal Servers. This makes them fit for variable workloads.
- Since resources in the Bare Metal environments are dedicated to users this could lead to under
 -utilization of resources as opposed to cloud environments that offer better utilization of
 resources.
- Bare-metal environments are single tenet systems and are comparatively more secure.

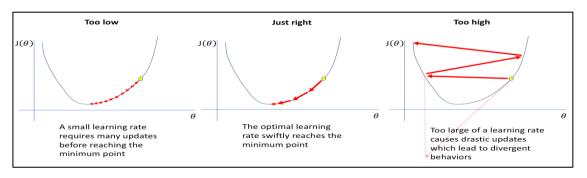
2. Hyperparameter settings:

• Learning Rate: The weights of a neural network cannot be calculated using an analytical method. Instead, the weights must be discovered via an empirical optimization procedure called gradient descent.

The learning rate is a hyperparameter that controls how much to change the model in response to the estimated error each time the model weights are updated. This parameter scales the magnitude of our weight updates in order to minimize the network's loss function. Choosing the learning rate is challenging as a value too small may result in a long training process that could get stuck, whereas a value too large may result in learning a sub-optimal set of weights and too fast or unstable training process.

We might start with a large value like 0.1, then try exponentially lower values: 0.01, 0.001, etc. The training should start from a relatively large learning rate because, in the beginning, random weights are far from optimal, and then the learning rate can decrease during training to allow more fine-grained weight updates. Training with a smaller learning rate would allow more fine-grained weight updates.

Note: We use 0.01 as the initial learning rate for AlexNet and then change it to .05 and .0001



• BATCH SIZE: Batch size is used in machine learning to refer to the number of training examples utilized in one iteration. Choosing a batch size that is too small will introduce a high degree of variance within each batch as it is unlikely that a small sample is a good representation of the entire dataset. Generally, the larger the batch size the faster the model will complete each epoch in training. However, the tradeoff is that the quality of the model may degrade as we increase the batch size. If a batch size is too large, it may not fit in memory of the compute instance used for training and it will have the tendency to overfit the data.

Lowering the learning rate and decreasing the batch size will allow the network to train better, especially in the case of fine-tuning.

• **EPOCH:** The number of epochs is a hyperparameter of gradient descent that controls the number of complete passes through the training dataset. The number of epoch will decide- how many times we will change the weights of the network.

As the number of epochs increases, the number of times weights are changed in the neural network increases and the boundary goes from underfitting to optimal to overfitting.



3. Performance:

BareMetal vs. Cloud Platforms: At a Glance

Deep learning consumes huge amount of computing capacity, because it often relies on deeper networks and larger training datasets to improve the model accuracy

Our experiments focuses on following performance metrics:

- (1) Throughput measured by the number of images processed per second during the training steps, and
- (2) **Time elapsed:** measured by the total execution time from the time a training job is launched until it finished.

In other words, the time elapsed metric includes the performance impact of data loading and preprocessing while the throughput metric does not thereby justifying our choice of metrics.

Performance Analysis:

Example Run 1

• Running on Cloud:

We begin with training the model with the following hyperparameter settings: Batch size - 20 Epoch -1 and the Learning Rate has been set to 0.01. It takes approximately 221 iterations and processes images in batches of 20 and passes over the dataset one time.

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Performance Profiling using nyprof:

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The time taken to finish training for this run is very less as could be expected from because we started with a greater value of learning rate which determines the step size. One can also note that the accuracy is just 25%.

• Running on BareMetal:

We train the model with the same hyperparameter settings: Batch size - 20 Epoch -1 and the Learning Rate has been set to 0.01. It takes approximately 221 iterations and processes images in batches of 20 and passes over the dataset one time.

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As can be observed from the screenshot, we have used nvprof – a profiling tool to collect data about the GPU activity.

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When we compared the runtime of the same job on the BareMetal and Cloud Environments, we noticed that the job ran much faster on the bare-metal system(as the time-elapsed was relatively lesser) than the cloud environment. The relative GPU time activity was the same. The throughput or the number of instructions processed per second is also relatively greater in the BareMetal environment.

Example Run 2:

• Running on Cloud: For the second iteration, we train the model with the following hyperparameter settings: Batch size - 15 Epoch -3 and the Learning Rate has been set to 0.05. It

takes approximately 294 iterations and processes images in batches of 15 and passes over the entire dataset three times. We see an accuracy of about 25% at the end of the first epoch.

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Training the model with the following hyperparameter settings: Batch size - 15 Epoch -3 and Learning Rate set to 0.05
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| | | | | 6.14% | 1.47622s | 1307994 | 1.1280us | 263ns | 13.150ms | cudaGetDevice |
| | | | | 2.38% | 571.15ms | 103 | 5.5451ms | 18.416us | 99.746ms | cudaMemcpy |
| | | | | 1.29% | 309.11ms | 180 | 1.7173ms | 385.90us | 11.224ms | cudaEventSynchronize |
| | | | | 1.14% | 273.36ms | 4279 | 63.884us | 534ns | 14.517ms | cudaEventDestroy |
| | | | | 0.86% | 205.94ms | 31555 | 6.5260us | 675ns | 11.573ms | cudaEventQuery |
| | | | | 0.60% | 144.20ms | 230039 | 626ns | 112ns | 10.346ms | cudaGetLastError |
| | | | | 0.48% | 115.86ms | 6708 | 17.271us | 4.5420us | 5.8033ms | cudaMemsetAsync |
| | | | | 0.37% | 89.008ms | 22822 | 3.9000us | 538ns | 4.8319ms | cudaEventRecord |
| | | | | 0.36% | 85.452ms | 4320 | 19.780us | 583ns | 12.782ms | cudaEventCreateWithFlags |
| | | | | 0.23% | 54.876ms | 18 | 3.0487ms | 38.603us | 9.5926ms | cudaHostAlloc |
| | | | | 0.21% | 50.665ms | 1504 | 33.686us | 2.2980us | 8.0673ms | cudaStreamSynchronize |
| | | | | 0.13% | 30.761ms | 2088 | 14.732us | 6.8830us | 2.5510ms | cudaPointerGetAttributes |
| | | | | 0.10% | 23.058ms | 8424 | 2.7370us | 906ns | 3.1970ms | cudaOccupancyMaxActiveBlocksPerMultiprocessorWithFlags |
| | | | | 0.06% | 14.109ms | 1388 | 10.164us | 594ns | 7.2974ms | cudaStreamWaitEvent |
| | | | | 0.04% | 10.550ms | 6272 | 1.6820us | 320ns | 3.1825ms | cudaSetDevice |
| | | | | 0.03% | 6.5844ms | 31 | 212.40us | 832ns | 1.1747ms | cudaFree |
| | | | | 0.03% | 6.4983ms | 6336 | 1.0250us | 110ns | 292.18us | cudaGetDeviceCount |
| | | | | 0.02% | 4.5162ms | 676 | 6.6800us | 651ns | 3.4846ms | cudaFuncSetAttribute |
| | | | | | 3.6157ms | | 1.7180us | | 772.39us | |
| | | | | | 3.1897ms | | 33.576us | | | |
| | | | | 0.01% | 1.9208ms | 28 | 68.601us | 20.669us | 930.65us | cudaMemGetInfo |
| | | | | | 1.3567ms | | 18.842us | | | |
| | | | | | 1.1246ms | 180 | | 3.2520us | | cudaEventElapsedTime |
| | | | | | 733.57us | | | | | cuDeviceTotalMem |

Once all three epochs' have been processed and the training is complete. The overall time taken to process has comparatively increased for this run as compared to the previous example -could be expected from the increase in epoch and decrease in batch size. The learning rate was increased and hence the step size has also increased. One can also note that the accuracy didn't change much.

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Profiling the model with the following hyperparameter settings: Batch size - 15 Epoch -3 and Learning Rate set to 0.05
!time nvprof python main.py -a alexnet -b 15 --epochs 3 --1r 0.05 Imagenet
     Test: [40/54]
                      Time 0.309 (0.139)
                                                Loss nan (nan) Acc@1
                                                                          0.00 (34.15)
                                                                                            Acc@5 100.00 (100.00)
                      Time 0.317 (0.131)
                                                Loss nan (nan) Acc@1 0.00 (27.45)
     Test: [50/54]
                                                                                           Acc@5 100.00 (100.00)
      * Acc@1 25.926 Acc@5 100.000
     ==889== Profiling application: python3 main.py -a alexnet -b 15 --epochs 3 --1r 0.05 Imagenet
     ==889== Profiling result:
                                                             Avg
     GPU activities:
                                  10.47325
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                         38.75%
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                           6.70%
                                  1.81174s
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                                                                   1.0240us
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                           5.60%
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                                                                   166.31us
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                                                                   1.0560us
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                                                                             101.37ms
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                          2.02%
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real 2m24.908s user 3m15.853s sys 0m33.090s

• Running on BareMetal: For the second iteration, we train the model with the same hyperparameter settings: Batch size - 15 Epoch -3 and the Learning Rate has been set to 0.05. It takes approximately 294 iterations and processes images in batches of 15 and passes over the entire dataset three times.

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As can be observed in the screenshot, the profiling information for the run has been generated at the end of the third epoch by nvprof.

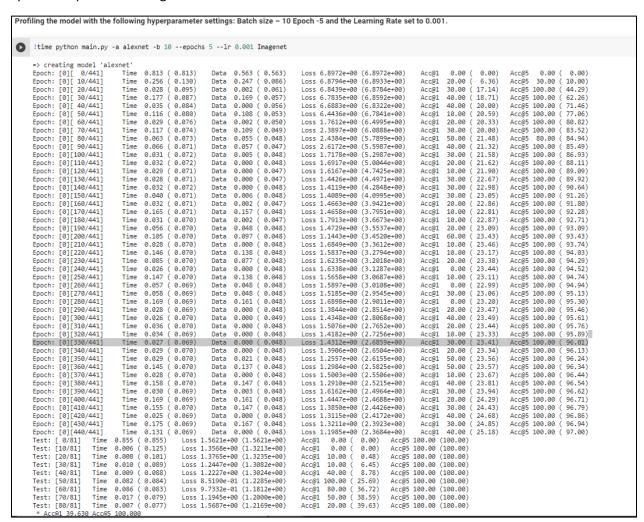
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Epoch: [2][190/294] Time 0.039 (0.113) Data 0.000 (0.089) Loss nan (nan) Acc81 13.33 (24.92) Acc89 100.00 (100.00)
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real 2m33.502s user 2m7.061s sys 0m20.072s

When we compare the runtime of the same job on the BareMetal and Cloud Environments, we noticed that the time elapsed in both cases was relatively same. The relative GPU time activity on Cloud was comparatively more.

Example Run 3:

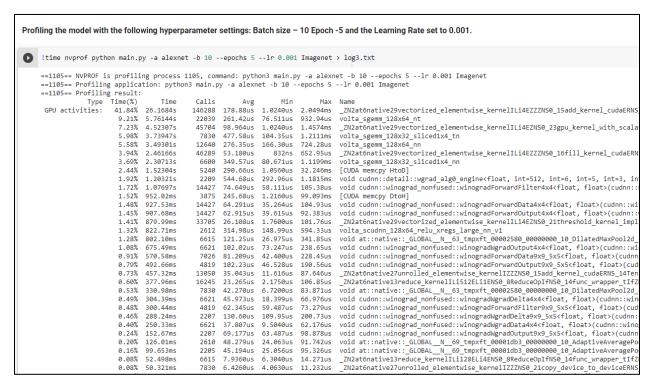
Running on Cloud: We train the model with the following hyperparameter settings: Batch size -10 Epoch -5 and the Learning Rate has been set to 0.001. It takes approximately 441 iterations in each epoch and processes images in batches of 10.



At the end of the first epoch:

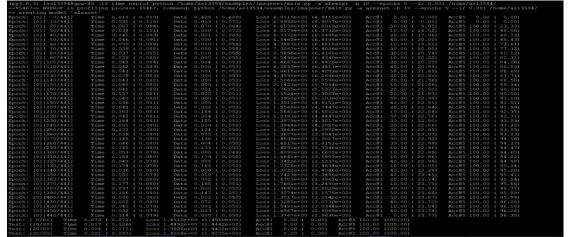
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Profiling the model with the following hyperparameter settings: Batch size - 10 Epoch -5 and the Learning Rate set to 0.001.
1 time python main.py -a alexnet -b 10 --epochs 5 --1r 0.001 Imagenet
     Epoch: [0][420/441]
                              Time 0.025 (0.069)
                                                       Data 0.000 (0.048)
                                                                                Loss 1.3115e+00 (2.4172e+00)
                                                                                                                                            Acc@5 100.00 ( 96.86)
                                                                                                                  Acc@1 40.00 ( 24.68)
     Epoch: [0][430/441]
Epoch: [0][440/441]
                                   0.175 ( 0.069)
0.131 ( 0.069)
                                                                                 Loss 1.3211e+00 (2.3923e+00)
                                                                                                                                            Acc@5 100.00 (
                                                       Data
                                                            0.167 ( 0.048)
                                                                                                                         30.00 (
                                                             0.000 ( 0.048)
                              Time
                                                       Data
                                                                                Loss 1.1985e+00 (2.3684e+00)
                                                                                                                          40.00 ( 25.18)
                                                                                                                                            Acc@5 100.00 ( 97.00)
                                                                                                                  Acc@1
     Test: [ 0/81]
                     Time
                           0.855 ( 0.855)
                                              Loss 1.5621e+00 (1.5621e+00)
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           F20/811
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     Test:
           [40/81]
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                                    0.088)
                                               Loss 1.2227e+00 (1.3024e+00)
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           [50/81]
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                                               Loss 8.5190e-01 (1.2285e+00)
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                                                                                                          Acc@5 100.00
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                                    0.083)
                                               Loss 9.7332e-01 (1.1812e+00)
                                                                                                36.72)
     Test:
           F60/811
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                                                                                                          Acc@5 100.00
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                     Time
           70/811
                            0.017
                                    a a79)
                                               Loss 1.1945e+00 (1.2000e+00)
                                                                                        50.00 (
                                                                                                38.59)
                                                                                                          Acc@5 100.00
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     Test:
                            0.007 ( 0.077)
           [80/81]
                                               Loss 1.5687e+00 (1.2169e+00)
                                                                                Acc@1 20.00 ( 39.63)
                                                                                                          Acc@5 100.00 (100.00)
                     Time
     Test:
      * Acc@1 39.630 Acc@5 100.000
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                                    0.620 (
     Epoch: [1][
     Epoch: [1][ 10/441]
                              Time 0.031 (
                                            0.112)
                                                       Data 0.000 (0.087)
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                                                       Data 0.062 (0.064)
                                                                                 Loss 1.2147e+00 (1.2705e+00)
                                                                                                                          30.00 (
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     Epoch: [1][ 30/441]
                              Time 0.119 (
                                            0.086)
                                                       Data 0.109 ( 0.060)
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The time taken to process has significantly increased as compared to the previous two runs as could be expected from the increase in epoch and smaller learning rate. With the decreases in learning rate the step size decreases, and the processing time increases. One can also note that the accuracy has significantly improved for this run in both environments.



real 4m22.103s user 5m45.346s sys 1m6.378s

Running on BareMetal : We train the model with the same hyperparameter settings: Batch size -10 Epoch -5 and the Learning Rate has been set to 0.001. It takes approximately 441 iterations in each epoch and processes images in batches of 10 and passes over the entire dataset 5 times.



At the end of the first epoch: One can observe the accuracy is 41.375. Once all five epochs' have been processed and the training is complete. The time taken to process has significantly increased as compared to the previous two runs as could be expected from the increase in epoch and smaller learning rate. With the decreases in learning rate the step size decreases, and the processing time increases. One can also note that the accuracy has significantly improved for this run due to hyperparameter tuning to 78%.

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real 4m34.781s
user 3m52.378s
sys 0m33.779s
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When we compare the runtime of this job on the BareMetal and Cloud Environments, we notice that the time elapsed in both cases was relatively same. The relative peak in GPU time activity on was also comparable in both cases. The throughput or the number of instructions processed per second is also relatively same.

Conclusion: The choice between using BareMetal and Cloud based solutions depends a lot on the kind of application and data we need to process. In case the application needs scalable, easy to use, secure and variable workloads with a focus towards better resource utilization, cloud environments are preferable. If the focus is on highly optimizable secure environments that offer low network latency and dedicated resource utilization the outlook is better with BareMetal Solutions.