

BMRuntime LIBRARY User Guide

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Chapter 1. Introduction

BMRuntime is a library specifically designed for building high-performance neural networks applications, and these applications run on chip BM1682. BMRuntime provides a serial of simple and flexible interfaces, which make the deployment of neural networks' applications easy and efficient.

As an overview, the library provides many functions which can be classified as following:

- BM device operations
- ◆ BM context operations
- ◆ BM kernel operations
- ◆ BM memory operations
- ◆ BM networks operations

BM device operations include enumerating BM1682 device, opening device, querying it, configuring it and closing it.

BM context operations include context creation, context binding and context destruction.

BM kernel operations include kernel creating and kernel destruction.

BM memory operations include device memory allocation, host memory allocation, device memory freeing, host memory freeing and memory copying between host memory and device memory.

BM networks operations include registering neural networks, inferencing networks as input and cleaning up networks.

Chapter 2. General Description

2.1 Programming Model

The interfaces provided by BMRuntime are very flexible, and can satisfy different requirements of different scenes. In general, the application must initialize the handle to the BM context by calling the **bm_init()** function. After the application initializes BM context handle, it allocates device memory and host memory for computing data. Then it can call **bmruntime_bmkernel_create()** function to create a BM kernel. After BM kernel is created, applications can use it to submit the commands.

If an application has got a compiled neural network, it does not need creating a BM kernel. It can call **bmnet_register()** to register a BM network, then call **bmnet_inference()** to do inference. After application finishes the work, it must call **bmnet_cleanup()** to destroy the networks. For kernel created applications, it must call **bmruntime_bmkernel_destroy()** to destroy the kernel. Finally, the application must call **bm_exit()** to exit gracefully and free all occupied resources.

2.2 Requirements

To run applications with BMRuntime, BM1682 is required.

Chapter 3. BMRuntime Data Type References

3.1 bmerr_t

bmerr_t is a enum type which enumerates all API returned status. The values are listed as follows.

Value	Description
BM_SUCCESS	API call returns successfully
BM_ERR_AGAIN	API call fails due to device not ready
BM_ERR_FAILURE	API call returns general failure
BM_ERR_TIMEOUT	API call fails due to time out
BM_ERR_UNINITIALIZED	API call fails due to device un-initialized
BM_ERR_INVALID_ARGUMENT	API call fails due to invalid argument
BM_ERR_NOMEM	API call fails due to insufficient memory
BM_ERR_DATA	API call fails due to data error
BM_ERR_BUSY	API call fails due to device being busy
BM_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED	API call fails due to unsupported parameters

3.2 bmctx_t

bmctx_t is a pointer type which points to a BM context.

3.3 bmdev_t

bmdev_t is a pointer type which points to a BM device.

3.4 bm_devinfo_t

bm_devinfo_t is a structure type which describes device info.

It includes the following members:

Value	Description
chip	A enum value describes chip version.
npu_num	A uint32_t type value describes NPU number.
eu_num	A uint32_t type value describes EU number.
lmem_size	A uint32_t type value describes local memory size.
lmem_banks	A uint32_t type value describes local memory bank number.
gmem_size	A uint32_t type value describes global memory size.

3.5 bmmem_t

bmmem_t is a pointer type which points to BM memory structure.
bmmem_device_t, bmmem_host_t and bmmem_system_t are all alias of bmmem_t.

3.6 bmnet_info_t

 $bmnet_info_t \ is \ a \ structure \ type \ which \ describes \ BM \ network's \ input \ info.$

It includes the following members:

Value	Description	
batch_size	A uint32_t type value describes batch size.	
weight	A uint8_t pointer type value which points to the weight memory.	
weight_size	A size_t type value describes weight memory size.	
cmdbuf	A uint8_t pointer type value which points to the command buffer.	
cmdbuf_size	A size_t type value describes command buffer size.	
neuron_size	A size_t type value describes neuron memory size.	
input_size	A size_t type value describes input memory size.	
output_offset	A uint64_t type value describes output neuron offset to neuron base.	
output_size	A size_t type value describes output neuron size in bytes.	

3.7 bmnet_output_info_t

bmnet_output_info_t is a structure type which describes BM network's output info. It includes the following members:

Value	Description		
output_size	Total output size of inference.		
output_num	Output number.		
name_array	Array of pointers to the output names		
shape_array	Array of pointers to the output shapes		
threshold_array	Array of pointers to the output threshold (meaningless on BM1682)		

3.8 bmnet_t

bmnet_t is a pointer type which points to BM networks structure.

3.9 bmkernel_handle_t

bmkernel_handle_t is a pointer type which points to BM kernel.

Chapter 4. BMRuntime API References

In this chapter, all the API's in the BMRuntime library are described in detail.

4.1 bm init

```
bmerr_t bm_init(
   int index,
   bmctx_t *ctx)
```

bm_init() initializes BM device and creates a handle to BM context.

Parameter	Туре	Description
index	Input	The index of BM device.
ctx	Output	The pointer of BM context handle.

4.2 bm_exit

```
void bm_exit(
bmctx_t ctx)
```

bm_exit() must be called before application exits. It will release all internal resources.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle which is created by bm_init().

4.3 bm_enum_devices

```
void bm_enum_devices(
   int     *count,
   bm_devinfo_t devinfo[])
```

bm_enum_devices() enumerates all BM devices in the system.

Parameter	Туре	Description
count	Output	The count of BM device.
devinfo	Output	The array of device info.

4.4 bm_device_open

```
bmerr_t bm_device_open(
    int index,
    bmdev_t *dev)
```

bm_device_open() opens a BM device.

Parameter	Туре	Description
index	Input	The index of BM device.
dev	Output	The pointer of BM device handle.

4.5 bm_device_close

```
void bm_device_close(
bmdev_t dev)
```

bm_device_close() closes an opened BM device.

Parameter	Туре	Description
dev	Input	The BM device handle.

4.6 bm_device_query

```
bmerr_t bm_device_query(
bmdev_t dev,
int id,
void *buf)
```

bm_device_query() always returns BM_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED now.

4.7 bm_device_config

bm_device_config() always returns BM_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED now.

4.8 bm_device_get_info

```
bm_devinfo_t bm_device_get_info(
bmdev_t dev)
```

bm_device_get_info() return a BM device information.

Parameter	Туре	Description
dev	Input	The BM device handle.

4.9 bm_context_create

```
bmerr_t bm_context_create(
bmctx_t *ctx)
```

bm_context_create() creates a BM context.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Output	The pointer of BM context handle.

4.10 bm_context_destroy

```
void bm_context_destroy(
bmctx_t ctx)
```

bm_context_destroy() destroys a BM context.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.

4.11 bm_bind_device

```
bmerr_t bm_bind_device(
    bmctx_t ctx,
    bmdev_t dev)
```

bm_bind_device() binds a BM context with a BM device.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
dev	Input	The BM device handle.

4.12 bm_unbind_device

```
void bm_unbind_device(
bmctx_t ctx)
```

bm_unbind_device() unbinds a BM context with the BM device.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.

4.13 bm_get_device

```
bmdev_t bm_get_device(
bmctx_t ctx)
```

bm_get_device() returns the BM device handle which is bound with the BM context.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.

4.14 bmruntime_bmkernel_create

```
bmerr_t bmruntime_bmkernel_create(
    bmctx_t ctx,
    bmkernel_handle_t *p_bk_ctx)
```

bmruntime_kernel_create() creates a BM kernel.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
p_bk_ctx	Output	The pointer of BM kernel handle.

bmruntime bmkernel create() creates a BM kernel with the BM context.

4.15 bmruntime_bmkernel_destroy

```
void bmruntime_bmkernel_destroy(
bmctx_t ctx)
```

bmruntime_bmkernel_destroy() destroys the BM kernel with the BM context.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.

4.16 bmmem_device_alloc_raw

bmmem_device_alloc_raw() allocates device memory as the input size.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
size	Input	The size of device memory.

4.17 bmmem_device_prealloc_raw

bmmem_device_prealloc_raw() allows application to allocate device memory that has been allocated by bmmem_device_alloc_raw(). Pre-allocate memory size and address should not exceed the size and address scope of memory allocated by bmmem_device_alloc_raw().

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
size	Input	The size of pre-allocate device memory.
addr	Input	The address of pre-allocate device memory.

4.18 bmmem_device_alloc

bmmem_device_alloc() allocates device memory as the input shape.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
shape	Input	The shape of device memory.

4.19 bmmem_device_prealloc

```
bmmem_device_t bmmem_device_prealloc(
    bmctx_t ctx,
    bmshape_t *shape,
    uint64_t addr)
```

bmmem_device_prealloc() is similar with bmmem_device_prealloc_raw(), it allows application to allocate device memory that has been allocated.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
shape	Input	The shape of pre-allocate device memory.
addr	Input	The address of pre-allocate device memory.

4.20 bmmem_device_free

```
void bmmem_device_free(
    bmctx_t ctx,
    bmmem_device_t mem)
```

bmmem_device_free() frees the device memory that are allocated by the above allocating functions.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
mem	Input	The device memory handle.

4.21 bmmem_host_alloc

```
bmmem_host_t bmmem_host_alloc(
    bmctx_t ctx,
    bmshape_t *shape)
```

bmmem_host_alloc() always returns BM_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED now.

4.22 bmmem_host_free

```
void bmmem_host_free(
bmctx_t ctx,
bmmem_host_t mem)
```

bmmem_host_free() always returns BM_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED now.

4.23 bmmem_device_size

```
size_t bmmem_device_size(

bmctx_t ctx,

bmmem_device_t mem)
```

bmmem_device_size() returns the device memory size.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
mem	Input	The device memory handle.

4.24 bmmem_device_addr

```
uint64_t bmmem_device_addr(
bmctx_t ctx,
bmmem_device_t mem)
```

bmmem_device_addr() returns the device memory address.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
mem	Input	The device memory handle.

4.25 bmmem_host_v_addr

bmmem_host_v_addr() always returns BM_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED now.

4.26 bmmem_host_p_addr

```
uint64_t bmmem_host_p_addr(
bmctx_t ctx,
bmmem_host_t mem)
```

bmmem_host_p_addr() always returns BM_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED now.

4.27 bm_memcpy_s2d

bm_memcpy_s2d() copy system memory data to device memory. s means system, d means device.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
dst	Input	The device memory handle.
src	Input	The system memory pointer.

4.28 bm_memcpy_d2s

bm_memcpy_d2s copy device memory data to system memory.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
dst	Input	The system memory pointer.
src	Input	The device memory handle.

4.29 bmnet_register

bmnet_register() registers a compiled neuron network.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
info	Input	The BM network info.
net	Output	The registered network handle.

4.30 bmnet_register_bmodel

bmnet_register_bmodel() registers a neuron network by bmodel file.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
bmodel	Input	bmodel filename.
net	Output	The registered network handle.

4.31 bmnet_register_noalloc

bmnet_register_noalloc() registers a compiled neuron network without allocating weight and neuron device memory.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
info	Input	The BM network info.
net	Output	The registered network handle.

4.32 bmnet_set_input_shape

bmnet_set_input_shape () sets a input shape for a registered BM network. The bmodel support different input shapes, the API can set one of them.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.
input_shape	Input	The input shape.

4.33 bmnet_get_output_info

bmnet_get_output_info () sets a input shape for a registered BM network.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.
output_info	Output	The output info.

4.34 bmnet_cleanup

void	bmnet_cleanup(
	bmnet_t net)

bmnet cleanup() cleans up a registered BM network.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.

4.35 bmnet_run

```
bmerr_t bmnet_run(
bmnet_t net)
```

bmnet_run() runs a registered BM network.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.

4.36 bmnet_weight_devmem

bmnet_weight_devmem() retrieves the weight device memory handler from a registered BM network.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.

4.37 bmnet_neuron_devmem

bmnet_neuron_devmem() retrieves neuron device memory handler from a registered BM network.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.

4.38 bmnet_input_devmem

bmnet input devmem() retrieves input device memory handler from a registered BM network.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.

4.39 bmnet_output_devmem

bmnet_output_devmem() retrieves output device memory handler from a registered BM network.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.

4.40 bmnet_load_input

bmnet_load_input() loads input data for a registered BM network.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.
input	Input	The input data pointer.

4.41 bmnet_import_weight_devmem

bmnet_import_weight_devmem() imports weight device memory for a registered BM network. application should allocate weight device memory firstly, then call it to import weight memory. This function and bmnet_import_neuron_devmem() function are usually used with bmnet_register_noalloc() function. Application can register BM network without allocating

weight and neuron device memory, and then use these two functions to import weight and neuron memory.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.
weight_mem	Input	The weight device memory handle.

4.42 bmnet_import_neuron_devmem

bmnet_import_neuron_devmem() imports neuron device memory for a registered BM network. application should allocate neuron device memory firstly, then call it to import neuron memory.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.
neuron_mem	Input	The neuron device memory handle.

4.43 bmnet_store_output

bmnet_store_output() stores output data for a registered BM network. Application uses this function to copy output data from device memory to host memory.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.
output	Input	The output buffer pointer.

4.44 bmnet_store_neuron

bmnet_store_neuron() stores neuron data for a registered BM network. Application uses this function to copy neuron data from device memory to host memory.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.
neuron_offset	Input	The offset of neuron buffer.
neuron_size	Input	The neuron buffer size.
neuron	Input	The pointer to the neuron buffer.

4.45 bmnet_load_neuron

bmnet_load_neuron() loads neuron data for a registered BM network.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.
neuron_offset	Input	The offset of neuron buffer.
neuron_size	Input	The neuron buffer size.
neuron	Input	The pointer to the neuron buffer.

4.46 bmnet_inference

bmnet_inference() runs inference with a registered BM network.

Parameter	Туре	Description
net	Input	The BM network handle.
input	Input	The input buffer pointer.
output	Input	The output buffer pointer.

4.47 bmnet_inference_once

```
bmerr_t
             bmnet_inference_once(
                                 ctx,
                bmctx_t
                uint8 t
                                  *input,
                uint8_t
                                 *output,
                uint32_t
                                 batch_size,
                uint8_t
                                  *weight,
                size_t
                                 weight_size,
                                  *cmdbuf,
                uint8 t
                size_t
                                  cmdbuf_size,
                size t
                                  neuron_size,
                size_t
                                  input_size,
                uint64_t
                                   output_offset,
                size_t
                                  output_size)
```

bmnet_inference_once() runs inference all in one function, it includes the functions of bmnet_register(), bmnet_inference() and bmnet_cleanup() in one call.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
input	Input	The input buffer pointer.
output	Input	The output buffer pointer.
batch_size	Input	The batch size.
weight	Input	The weight buffer pointer.
weight_size	Input	The weight buffer size.
cmdbuf	Input	The command buffer pointer.
cmdbuf_size	Input	The command buffer size.
neuron_size	Input	The neuron buffer size.
input size	Input	The input buffer size.
output_offset	Input	The output neuron offset to neuron base.
output_size	Input	The output neuron size in bytes.

4.48 bmnet_data_transition

```
int
             bmnet_data_transition(
                     bmctx_t
                                  ctx,
                     u64
                                   gaddr_a,
                     int
                                   input_n,
                     int
                                   input_c,
                     int
                                   input_h,
                     int
                                   input_w,
                                   stride_n,
                     int
                     int
                                   stride_c,
                     int
                                   stride_h,
                     float
                                  S,
                     float
                                  В,
                     u64
                                   gaddr_r)
```

bmnet_data_transition() copies data between global memory. It uses NPU to copy data. It provides two parameters of scaling factor and bias value.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
gaddr_a	Input	The source data global memory address.
input_n	Input	The input data N.
input_c	Input	The input data C.
input_h	Input	The input data H.
input_w	Input	The input data W.
stride_n	Input	The n dimension stride.
stride_c	Input	The c dimension stride.
stride_h	Input	The h dimension stride.
S	Input	The scaling factor.
В	Input	The bias value.
gaddr_r	Input	The destination data global memory address.

4.49 bmnet_data_copy_u8

```
int
              bmnet_data_copy_u8(
                     bmctx_t
                                   ctx,
                     u64
                                   gaddr_s,
                                   input_n,
                    int
                                   input_c,
                    int
                                   input_h,
                    int
                                   input_w,
                    int
                    int
                                   stride_n,
                                   stride_c,
                    int
                                   stride_h,
                    int
                    u64
                                   gaddr_d)
```

bmnet_data_copy_u8() copies data between global memory. It uses NPU to copy data. It copies data as unsigned 8 bits integer.

Parameter	Туре	Description
ctx	Input	The BM context handle.
gaddr_s	Input	The source data global memory address.
input_n	Input	The input data N.
input_c	Input	The input data C.
input_h	Input	The input data H.
input_w	Input	The input data W.
stride_n	Input	The n dimension stride.
stride_c	Input	The c dimension stride.
stride_h	Input	The h dimension stride.
gaddr_d	Input	The destination data global memory address.

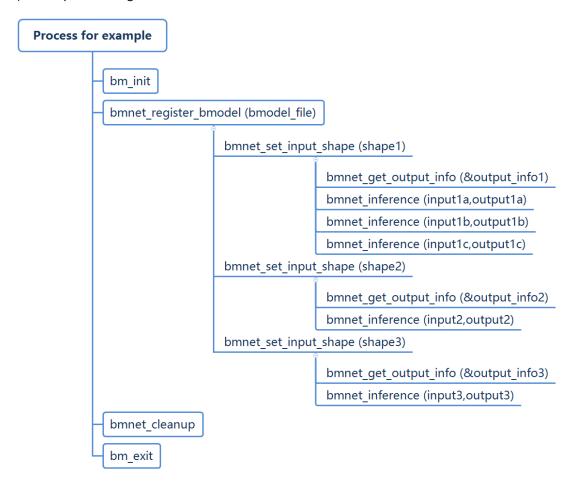
Chapter 5. Examples

In this chapter, some examples using flow-process diagram and Pseudocode, to show how to use the APIs of BMRuntime.

5.1 register and inference by bmodel

As one bmodel file support multiple shapes, bmnet_register_bmodel once can inference different shapes.

1) flow-process diagram



2) Pseudocode

```
bmerr_t ret;
bmctx_t ctx;
ret = bm_init (0, &ctx);
if (BM_SUCCESS != ret) { // exception code }

char * bmodel_file = "~/models/test.bmodel";
ret = bmnet_register_bmodel (ctx, bmodel_file, &net);
if (BM_SUCCESS != ret) { // exception code }
```

```
// do inference with shape[1,1,28,28]
shape_t input_shape = shape_t4 (1, 1, 28, 28);
// set shape, be careful [1,1,28,28] should be one shape in bmodel file; if not, return error
ret = bmnet set input shape (net, input shape);
if (ret != BM_SUCCESS) { // exception code}
bmnet output info toutput info;
bmnet_get_output_info(net, &output_info);
{ // deal with output info, such as output info.output size, output info.sub outputs}
output = (uint8_t*) malloc(output_info.output_size);
{ //uint8 t *input1a, input buffer read from one input file }
bmnet_inference(net, input1a, output);
{ // deal with output data }
{ //uint8 t *input1b, input buffer read from one input file }
bmnet_inference(net, input1b, output);
{ // deal with output data }
{ //uint8_t *input1c, input buffer read from one input file }
bmnet inference(net, input1c, output);
{ // deal with output data }
free(output)
// do inference with shape[4,1,28,28]
shape_t input_shape = shape_t4 (4, 1, 28, 28);
ret = bmnet_set_input_shape (net, input_shape);
if (ret != BM SUCCESS) { // exception code}
bmnet get output info(net, &output info);
{ // deal with output_info, such as output_info.output_size, output_info.sub_outputs}
output = (uint8 t*) malloc(output info.output size);
{ // uint8 t *input2, input buffer read from one input file }
bmnet_inference(net, input2, output);
{ // deal with output data };
free (output);
// do inference with shape[8,1,28,28]
shape t input shape = shape t4 (8, 1, 28, 28);
ret = bmnet_set_input_shape (net, input_shape);
if (ret != BM_SUCCESS) { // exception code}
bmnet get output info(net, &output info);
```

```
{// show output_info, such as output_info.output_size, output_info.sub_outputs}
output = (uint8_t*) malloc(output_info.output_size);

{// uint8_t *input3, input buffer read from one input file }
bmnet_inference(net, input3, output);

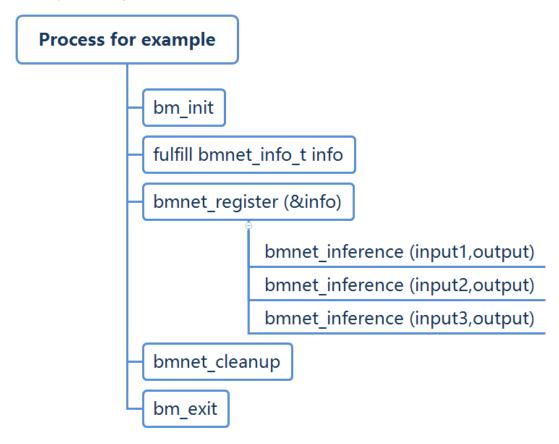
{// deal with output data };
free (output);

// release resource
bmnet_cleanup(net);
bm_exit(ctx);
```

5.2 register and inference by bmnet_info_t

As bmnet_info_t only support one shape, bmnet_register once can inference only one shape.

1) flow-process diagram



2) Pseudocode

```
bmerr_t ret;
bmctx_t ctx;
ret = bm_init (0, &ctx);
if (BM_SUCCESS != ret) { // exception code }
```

```
// fulfill bmnet_info_t structure
bmnet_info_t info = {.batch_size = batch_size,
                     .weight = weight,
                     .weight_size = weight_size,
                     .cmdbuf = cmdbuf,
                     .cmdbuf size = cmdbuf size,
                     .neuron_size = neuron_size,
                     .input size = input size,
                     .output_offset = output_offset,
                     .output_size = output_size};
bmnet_t net;
bmnet_register (ctx, &info, &net);
if (BM_SUCCESS != ret) { // exception code }
// do inference with the same shape
{ // uint8_t *input1, input buffer read from one input file }
bmnet_inference(net, input1, output);
{ // deal with output data };
{ // uint8_t *input2, input buffer read from one input file }
bmnet_inference(net, input2, output);
{ // deal with output data };
{ // uint8_t *input3, input buffer read from one input file }
bmnet_inference(net, input3, output);
{ // deal with output data };
// release resource
bmnet_cleanup(net);
bm_exit(ctx);
```