

Faster Machine Learning with Custom Built TensorFlow on Eagle

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What is TensorFlow?

A symbolic math library (fancy calculator) for machine learning

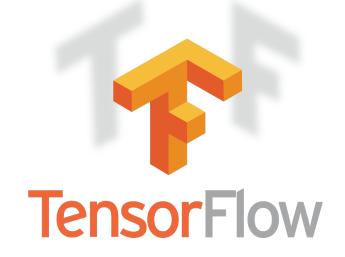
- Developed by Google in 2017
- Comparable to PyTorch (Facebook)
- Python and C APIs available for 64-bit Linux/macOS/Windows
- Without API backwards compatibility for: C++, GO, Java, and JS
- 3rd party packages for: C#,
 Haskell, Julia, MATLAB, R,
 Scala, Rust, Ocam, and Crystal



Why use TensorFlow?

TF includes build-in functionality for:

- Regression
- Clustering
- Classification
- Hidden Markov Models
- Neural Networks: Dense,
 Convolutional, Recurrent
- Reinforcement Learning
- Variety of activation functions, loss functions, and optimizers

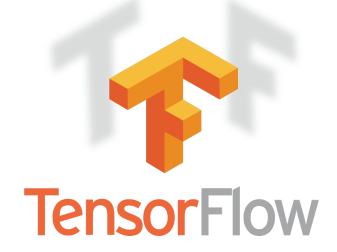


TF is designed to run on CPUs and CUDA enabled GPUs

Keras integration for TF 2.0+

Installing TensorFlow

Generally, TensorFlow for Python can be installed with Pip or Conda, e.g.,



Conda (with the anaconda channel):

conda install -c anaconda tensorflow-gpu=2.2

Works for GPU computing with proper CUDA configuration*, not optimized for CPUs

Pip:

pip install --upgrade tensorflow==2.2.0

Optimized for CPUs, likely not compatible with GPUs/Eagle CUDA drivers

Optimized for CPU means the TF build is made such that it utilizes the AVX512 instructions

OR....

Optimized TensorFlow Builds for Eagle

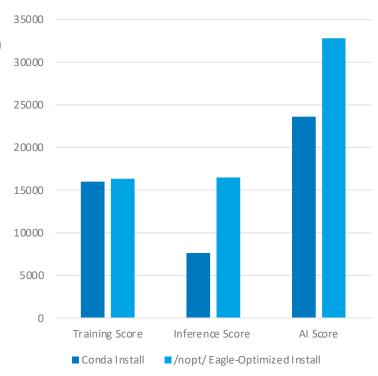
Hardware-optimized versions

- 2.0.0, 2.2.0, 2.2.1, 2.3.2, and 2.4.0
- Easily installed from Eagle /nopt/

Benefits

- Compatible with Eagle CUDA drivers
- Optimized for AVX-512 chip architecture
- GPU Enabled

GPU AI Benchmark Scores (bigger is better!)



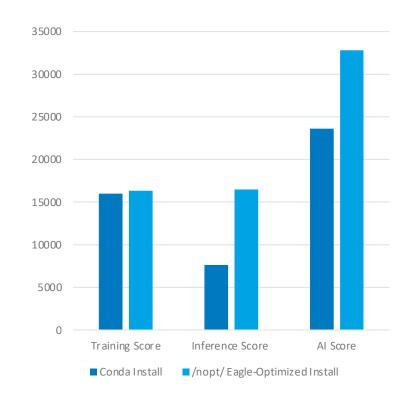
https://pypi.org/project/ai-benchmark/

https://ai-benchmark.com/ranking.html

Optimized TensorFlow Builds for Eagle

- 1. MobileNet-V2 [classification]
- 2. Inception-V3 [classification]
- 3. Inception-V4 [classification]
- 4. Inception-ResNet-V2 [classification]
- 5. ResNet-V2-50 [classification]
- 6. ResNet-V2-152 [classification]
- 7. VGG-16 [classification]
- 8. SRCNN 9-5-5 [image-to-image mapping]
- 9. VGG-19 [image-to-image mapping]
- 10. ResNet-SRGAN [image-to-image mapping]
- 11. ResNet-DPED [image-to-image mapping]
- 12. U-Net [image-to-image mapping]
- 13. Nvidia-SPADE [image-to-image mapping]
- 14. ICNet [image segmentation]
- 15. PSPNet [image segmentation]
- 16. DeepLab [image segmentation]
- 17. Pixel-RNN [inpainting]
- 18. LSTM [sentence sentiment analysis]
- 19. GNMT [text translation]

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Al Benchmark Rankings

Deep Learning Hardware Ranking

Desktop GPUs and CPUs

View Detailed Results										
Model	TF Version	Cores	Frequency, GHz	Acceleration	Platform	RAM, GB	Year	Inference Score	Training Score	Al-Score
Tesla V100 SXM2 32Gb	2:1.0	5120 (CUDA)	129 / 153	CUDA 10.1	Debian 10	32	2018	17761	18030	35791
Tesla V100 SXM2 16Gb	2:1.0	5120 (CUDA)	131/153	CUDA 10.1	Red Hat 7.5	16	2017	17251	17836	35086
Tesla V100 PCIE 32Gb	2.1.0	5120 (CUDA)	123/138	CUDA 10.1	Debian 10	32	2018	16530	17865	34394
Tesla V100 PCIE 16Gb	2:1.0	5120 (CUDA)	125/138	CUDA 10.1	Red Hat 7.5	16	2017	16511	17837	34347
NVIDIA Quadro GV100	114.0	5120 (CUDA)	113/163	CUDA 10	Debian 10	32	2018	16748	17132	33880

How to install optimized TF for Eagle & How to test

https://github.com/NREL/HPC/tree/master/workshops/Optimized_TF

Interested users can follow the steps outlined in the README.md file

How to benchmark

Note: the output of the benchmark script will be in a file named 'output.txt' and any errors can be viewed in 'errors.txt'

Note: The file 'TFbenchmark.sh' must be modified to include the correct modules of your target TF version, as well as the account to charge Eagle hours to.

cd ~/HPC/workshops/Optimized_TF/

sbatch --account=<account_name> ./TFbenchmark.sh

How to build from source

An example build process can be found in ~/HPC/workshops/Optimized_TF/how_to_build_notes

Note: This process is considerably more involved. Additional information may be found here:

https://www.tensorflow.org/install/source

Additional Resources

TensorFlow API Documentation:

https://www.tensorflow.org/api docs

TensorFlow build from source & tested build configurations:

https://www.tensorflow.org/install/source

TensorFlow 2 intro to machine learning free course:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tPYj3fFJGjk

Eagle HPC Documentation:

https://www.nrel.gov/hpc/eagle-system.html

Managing Conda environments:

Click here

Q&A, Thank you!

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