# Reduce inference cost by up to 75% for TensorFlow models with Amazon Elastic Inference

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#### Agenda

- Introduction
- Usage
- ❖ How EI works
- Performance
- Hands-on Lab for EC2 and SageMaker



#### The Amazon ML stack: Broadest & deepest set of capabilities

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IMAGE



Vision





Speech





Language





Chatbots





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**ML SERVICES** 



GROUND TRUTH

ALGORITHMS

NOTEBOOKS

AWS MARKETPLACE

REINFORCEMENT LEARNING

TRAINING

HOSTING

OPTIMIZATION (NEO)

ML FRAMEWORKS & **INFRASTRUCTURE** 



Frameworks

Interfaces











Infrastructure





AWS IOT Greengrass INFERENCE

**OpenVINO** 





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ML FRAMEWORKS & INFRASTRUCTURE













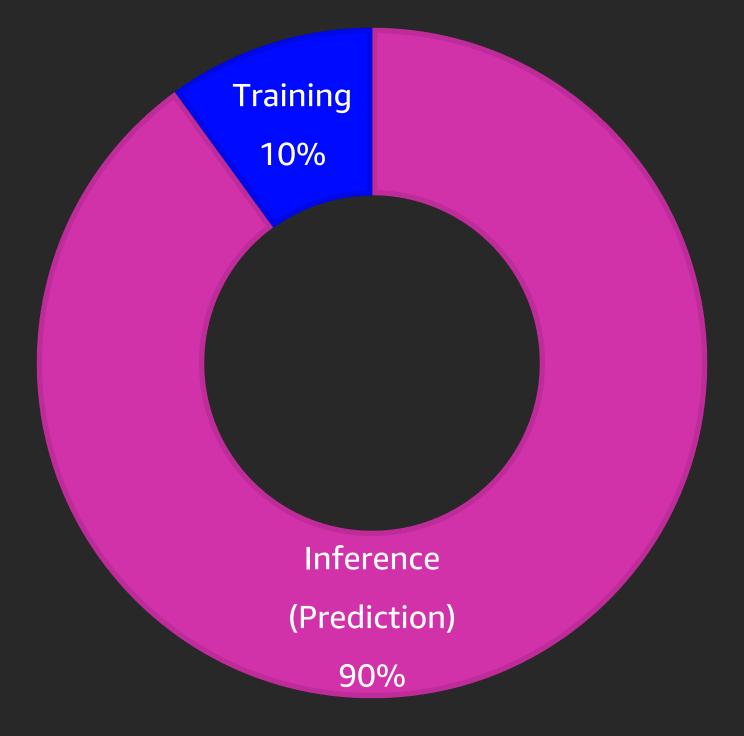
#### Deep learning model lifecycle

- Training
  - Gather data for training and testing
  - Architecture search
  - Parameter tuning
  - Distributed training using GPU's
  - In the order of weeks

- Inference
  - Hundreds of machines
  - Different regions
  - In the order of months

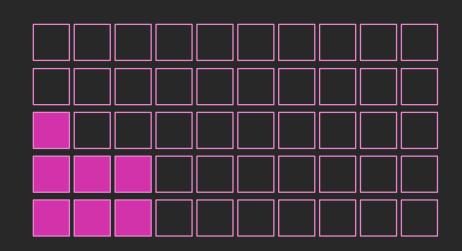


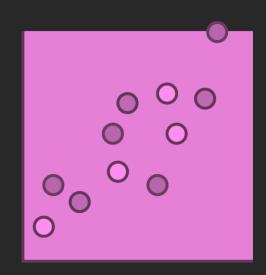
Predictions drive complexity and cost in production





#### The challenges of inference in production



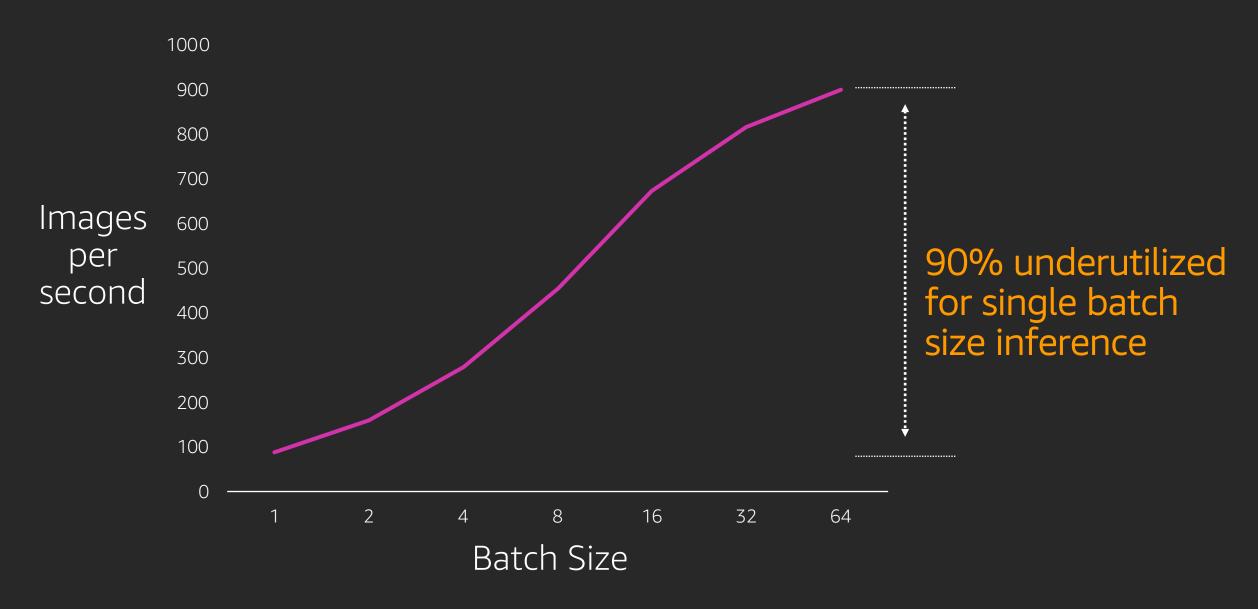


Low utilization and high costs

One size does not fit all



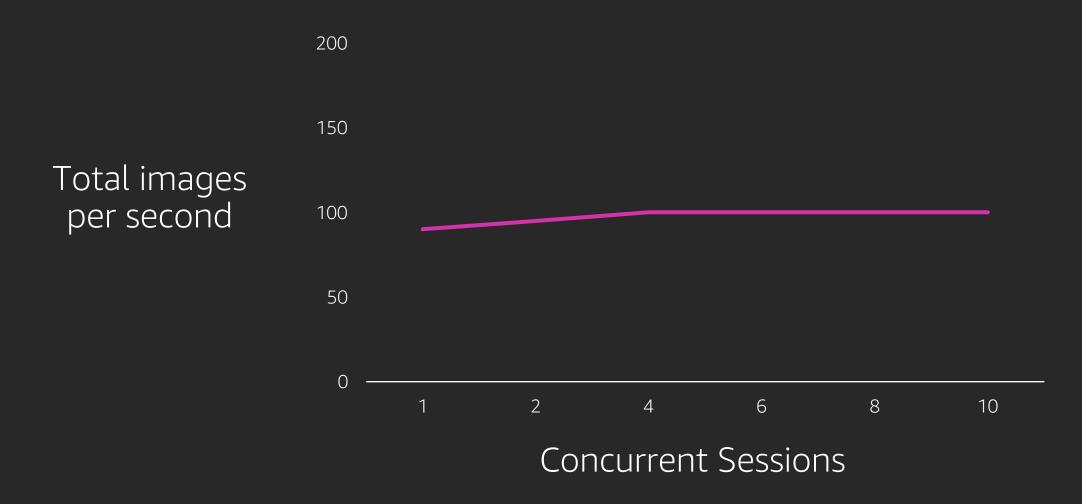
#### A closer look at GPU utilization for inference



Inception-v3 on a p3.2xlarge instance (using a V100 GPU)



#### More sessions/processes doesn't solve the problem

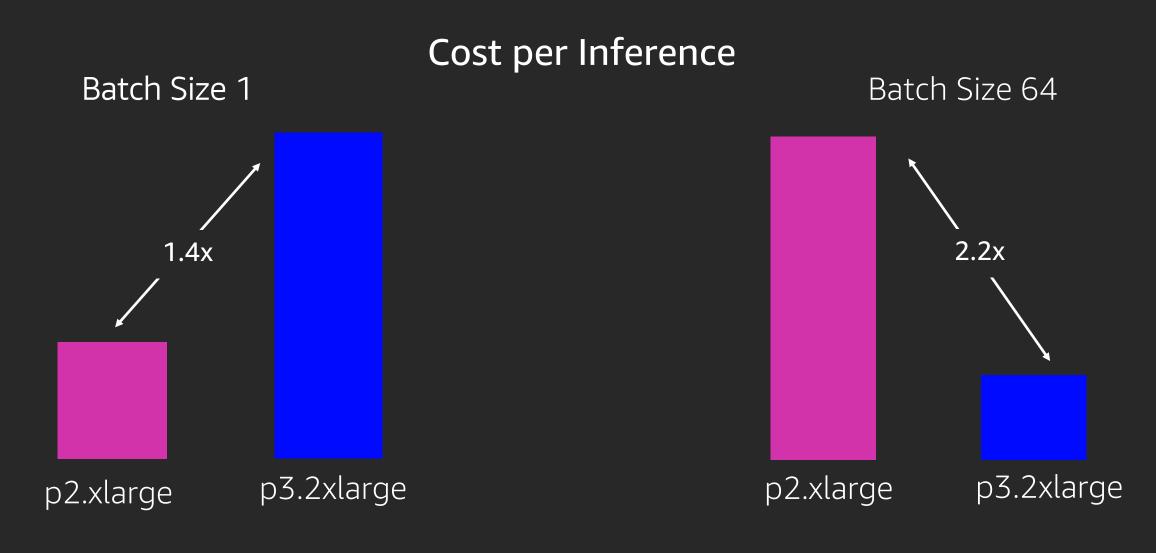


Inception-v3 on a p3.2xlarge instance (using a V100 GPU) single batch inference



#### How cost effective are GPU instances for inference?

Smaller P2 instances are more effective for real time inference with small batch sizes







#### Inference deployment

- Run model inference on separate fleets of GPU instances and call out from main application
  - Requires heavy-lifting, can be expensive and inefficient
- Co-locate application stack along with model inference on GPU instance
  - Mismatch between host and accelerator resources can lead to overprovisioning of resources



What if you could keep your application on your familiar (CPU) instance and attach just the right amount of hardware acceleration for inference?



#### Amazon Elastic Inference



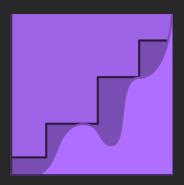


#### Amazon Elastic Inference

Reduce deep learning inference costs up to 75%



Lower inference costs



Match capacity to demand



Available between
1 to 32 TFLOPS per
accelerator

KEY FEATURES

Integrated with
Amazon EC2,
Amazon ECS and
Amazon SageMaker

Support for TensorFlow, Apache MXNet, and ONNX with PyTorch coming soon Single and mixed-precision operations



#### Acceleration sizes tailored for inference

Now available in N. Virginia, Ohio, Oregon, Dublin, Tokyo, and Seoul

Accelerator Type	FP32 Throughput (TOPS)	FP16 Throughput (TOPS)	Accelerator Memory (GB)	Price (\$/hr) (US)
eia1.medium	1	8	1	\$0.13
eia1.large	2	16	2	\$0.26
eia1.xlarge	4	32	4	\$0.52
eia2.medium	1	8	2	\$0.120
eia2.large	2	16	4	\$0.240
eia2.xlarge	4	32	8	\$0.340



#### Model Support



Amazon EI enabled TensorFlow Serving and Apache MXNet

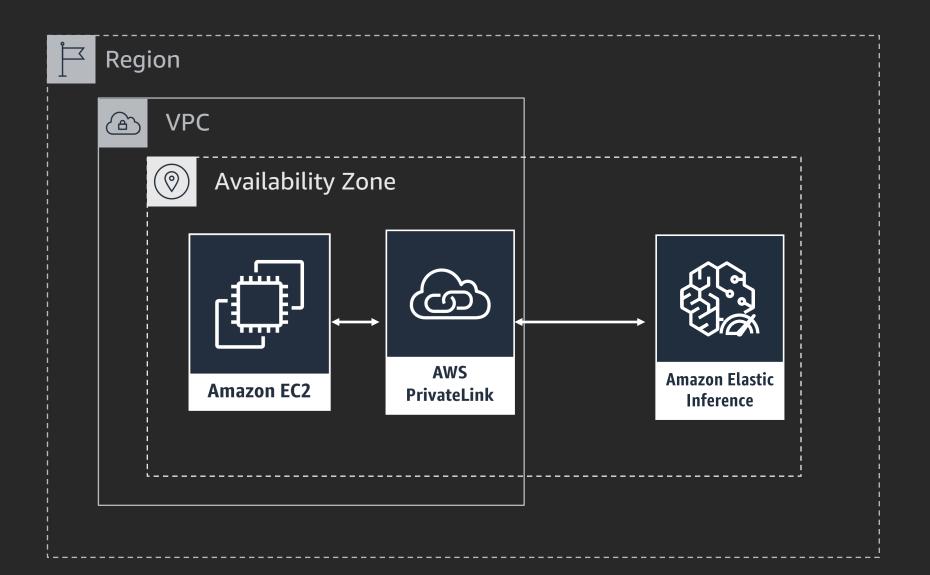
- Auto discovery of accelerators
- ❖ IAM-based authentication
- Available via: the AWS Deep Learning AMIs, for download via S3 and automatically through SageMaker



#### How Amazon Elastic Inference works



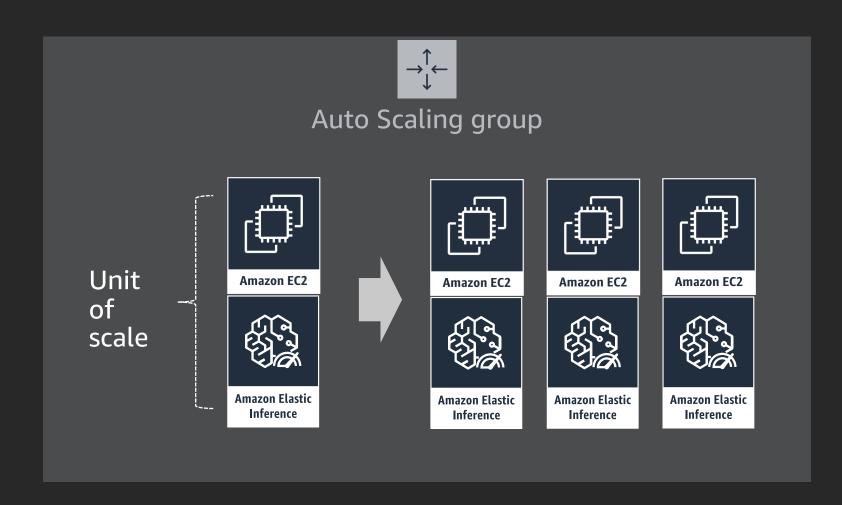
#### How does Elastic Inference work with Amazon EC2?



- Set up a AWS PrivateLink endpoint for your VPC to the El service.
- Configure instances to launch with El accelerator.
- Scale instances with accelerators with EC2 Auto Scaling – using Launch Templates



### Scale capacity in EC2 Auto Scaling groups

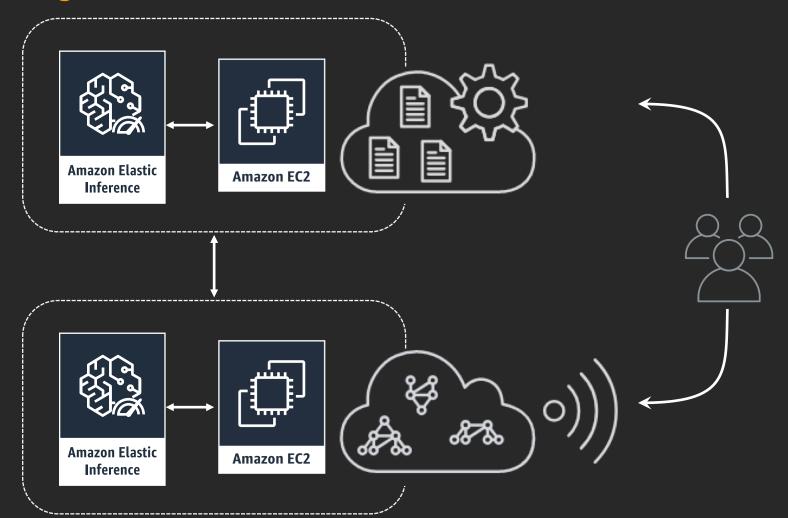


Specify EI within launch templates



#### How does Elastic Inference work with SageMaker?

#### **SageMaker Notebooks**



Prototype deployments with Notebooks in local mode

Scale endpoints with low-cost Elastic Inference Acceleration

**SageMaker Hosted Endpoints** 



#### Hands-on Lab

Lab 1: Attach Elastic Inference to Amazon SageMaker Inference Endpoint

Lab 2: Attach Elastic Inference to Amazon EC2



#### Lab Resources

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