Just-in-Time with Numba

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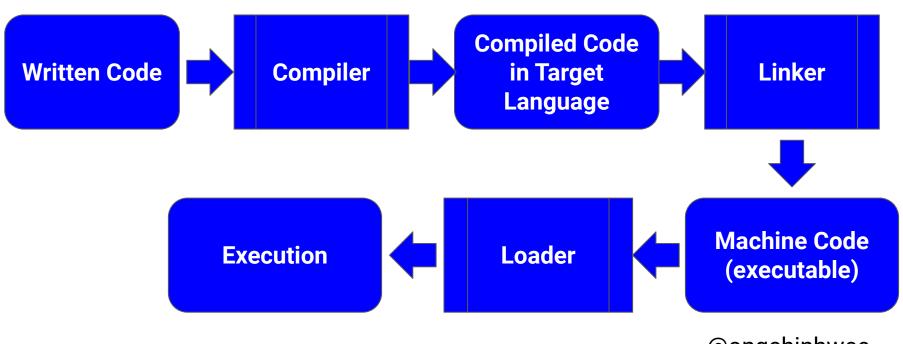




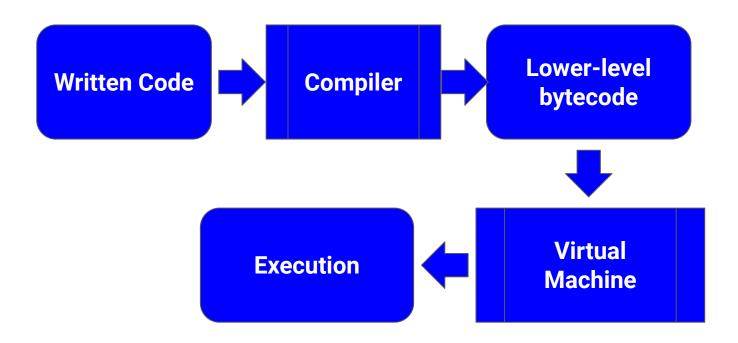
Bottlenecks in a data science project

- Lack of data / Poor quality data
- Data Preprocessing
 - The 80/20 data science dilemma
 - In reality, it's closer to 90/10
 - Slow processing speeds in Python!
 - Python runs on the interpreter, not compiled

Compiled vs Interpreted Languages



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What is Just-in-Time?

Just-In-Time (JIT) compilation

- Converts source code into native machine code at runtime
- Is the reason why Java runs on a Virtual Machine (JVM) yet has comparable performance to compiled languages (C/C++ etc., Go)

Just-in-Time with Numba

numba module

- Just-in-Time (JIT) compiler for Python that converts
 Python functions into machine code
- Can be used by simply applying a decorator (a wrapper) around functions to instruct numba to compile them
- Two modes of execution:
 - njit for no-Python mode (JIT only)
 - jit for object mode (JIT + Python interpreter)

Practical Implementation

Initialize File List in Directory

```
import numpy as np
import os
import sys
                                      No. of images in
import time
                                      'train/NORMAL': 1431
DIR = './chest_xray/train/NORMAL/'
train_normal = [DIR + name for name in os.listdir(DIR)
    if os.path.isfile(os.path.join(DIR, name))]
```

```
from PIL import Image
from numba import jit
@jit
def image_proc(index):
      '''Convert + resize image'''
      im = Image.open(define_imagepath(index))
      im = im.convert("RGB")
      im_resized = np.array(im.resize((64,64)))
      return im resized
```

from PIL import Image

return im resized

```
from numba import jit
                                     Note: I can't use no-Python mode
                                     (@njit) as PIL codes can't seem to
                                     be compiled into machine code
@jit
def image_proc(index):
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```
Python-only:
start_cpu_time = time.clock()
                                             218.1 seconds
listcomp_output = np.array([image_resize(x) for x in
train_normall)
                                             After compilation:
                                             169.6 seconds
end_cpu_time = time.clock()
total_tpe_time = end_cpu_time - start_cpu_time
sys.stdout.write('List comprehension completed in {}
seconds.\n'.format(
    total_tpe_time))
```

```
import numpy as np
from numba import njit
@njit
def square(a_list):
  squared_list = []
  '''Resize and reshape image'''
  for x in a list:
    squared_list.append(np.square(x))
  return squared_list
```

```
import numpy as np
from numba import njit
                                     Code runs in no-Python mode
                                     (@njit or @jit(nopython=true))
@njit
def square(a_list):
  squared_list = []
  '''Resize and reshape image'''
  for x in a list:
    squared_list.append(np.square(x))
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  return squared_list
```

```
a_list = np.array([i for i in range(1,100000)])
                                                  Python-only:
                                                  0.51544 seconds
start_cpu_time = time.time()
listcomp_array_output = square(a_list)
end_cpu_time = time.time()
                                                  After compilation:
                                                  0.00585 seconds
total_tpe_time = end_cpu_time - start_cpu_time
sys.stdout.write(
    'Elapsed (after compilation) {}
seconds.\n'.format(total_tpe_time))
```

Key Takeaways

Just-in-Time with numba

- Just-in-Time (JIT) compilation with numba
 - converts source code from non-compiled languages into native machine code at runtime
 - may not work for some functions/modules these are still run on the interpreter
 - significantly enhances speedups provided by optimized numerical codes

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