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Abstract

This document provides details for RHEL AI hardware requirements

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CHAPTER 1. RED HAT ENTERPRISE LINUX AI HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

Various hardware accelerators require different requirements for serving and inferencing as well as installing, generating and training the Granite starter model on Red Hat Enterprise Linux AI.

1.1. HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS FOR END-TO-END WORKFLOW OF GRANITE MODELS

The following charts show the hardware requirements for running the full InstructLab end-to-end workflow to customize the Granite student model. This includes: synthetic data generation (SDG), multi-phase training, and evaluating a custom Granite model.

1.1.1. Bare metal

| Hardware vendor | Supported accelerators (GPUs) | Aggregate GPU memory | Recommende d additional disk storage |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| NVIDIA | 2xA100 | 160 GB | 3 TB |
| | 4xA100 | 320 GB | |
| | 8xA100 | 640 GB | |
| NVIDIA | 2xH100 | 160 GB | 3 TB |
| | 4xH100 | 320 GB | |
| | 8xH100 | 640 GB | |
| NVIDIA | 2xH200 | 282 GB | 3 TB |
| | 4xH200 | 564 GB | |
| | 8xH200 | 1128 GB | |
| NVIDIA | 4xL40S | 192 GB | 3 TB |
| | 8xL40S | 384 GB | |
| AMD | 2xMI300X | 384 GB | 3 TB |
| | 4xMI300X | 768 GB | |
| | 8xMI300X | 1536 GB | |

1.1.2. IBM Cloud

| Hardware vendor | Supported accelerators (GPUs) | Aggregate GPU Memory | IBM Cloud Instances | Recomme nded additional disk storage |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| NVIDIA | 2xA100 | 160 GB | gx3d-48x240x2a100p | 3 TB |
| NVIDIA | 8xH100 | 640 GB | gx3d-160x1792x8h100 | 3 TB |
| NVIDIA | 8xH200 | 1128 GB | gx3d-160x1792x8h200 | 3 TB |
| AMD | 8xMI300X | 1536 GB | gx3d- 208x1792x8mi300x | 3 TB |

1.1.3. Amazon Web Services (AWS)

| Hardware vendor | Supported accelerators (GPUs) | Aggregate GPU Memory | AWS Instances | Recomme nded additional disk storage |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|--|
| NVIDIA | 8xA100 | 320 GB | p4d.24xlarge | 3 TB |
| NVIDIA | 8xA100 | 640 GB | p4de.24xlarge | 3 TB |
| NVIDIA | 8xH100 | 640 GB | p5.48xlarge | 3 TB |
| NVIDIA | 8xL40S | 384 GB | g6e.48xlarge | 3 TB |

1.1.4. Azure

| Hardware vendor | Supported accelerators (GPUs) | Aggregate GPU Memory | Azure Instances | Recomme nded additional disk storage |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| NVIDIA | 8xA100 | 640 GB | Standard_ND96amsr_A 100_v4 | 3 TB |
| NVIDIA | 4xA100 | 320 GB | Standard_ND96asr_A10 0_v4 | 3 TB |
| NVIDIA | 8xH100 | 640 GB | Standard_ND96isr_H10 0_v5 | 3 TB |

| Hardware vendor | Supported accelerators (GPUs) | Aggregate GPU Memory | Azure Instances | Recomme nded additional disk storage |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| AMD | 8xMI300X | 1535 GB | Standard_ND96is_MI30 0X_v5 | 3 TB |

1.1.5. Google Cloud Platform (GCP)

| Hardware vendor | Supported accelerators (GPUs) | Aggregate GPU Memory | GCP Instances | Recomme nded additional disk storage |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| NVIDIA | 8xA100 | 640 GB | a2-highgpu-8g | 3 TB |
| NVIDIA | 8xH100 | 640 GB | a3-highgpu-8g a3-megagpu-8g | 3 TB |

1.2. HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS FOR INFERENCE SERVING GRANITE MODELS

The following charts display the minimum hardware requirements for inference serving a model on Red Hat Enterprise Linux AI.

1.2.1. Bare metal

| Hardware vendor | Supported accelerators (GPUs) | Minimum Aggregate GPU memory | Recommended additional disk storage |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| NVIDIA | A100 | 80 GB | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | H100 | 80 GB | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | H200 | 141 GB | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | GH200 (Technology Preview) | 192 GB | 1TP |
| NVIDIA | L40S | 48 GB | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | L4 | 24 GB | 1TB |

| Hardware vendor | Supported accelerators (GPUs) | Minimum Aggregate GPU memory | Recommended additional disk storage |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| AMD | MI300X | 192 GB | 1TB |
| Intel | Gaudi 3 (Technology Preview) | 128 GB | 1TB |

1.2.2. Amazon Web Services (AWS)

| Hardware vendor | Supported accelerators (GPUs) | Minimum Aggregate GPU Memory | AWS Instance family | Recommended additional disk storage |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| NVIDIA | A100 | 40 GB | P4d series | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | H100 | 80 GB | P5 series | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | L40S | 48 GB | G6e series | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | L4 | 24 GB | G6 series | 1TB |

1.2.3. IBM cloud

| Hardware vendor | Supported accelerators (GPUs) | Minimum Aggregate GPU Memory | IBM Cloud Instance family | Recommended additional disk storage |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| NVIDIA | L4 | 24 GB | gx3 series | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | L40S | 48 GB | gx3 series | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | A100 | 80 GB | gx3 series | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | H100 | 80 GB | gx3 series | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | H200 | 141 GB | gx3 series | 1TB |
| AMD | MI300X | 192 GB | gx3 series | 1TB |
| Intel | Gaudi 3 (Technology Preview) | 128 GB | gx3 series | 1TB |

1.2.4. Azure

| Hardware vendor | Supported accelerators (GPUs) | Minimum Aggregate GPU Memory | Azure Instance family | Recommended additional disk storage |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| NVIDIA | A100 | 80 GB | ND series | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | H100 | 80 GB | ND sereis | 1TB |
| AMD | MI300X | 192 GB | ND series | 1TB |

1.2.5. Google Cloud Platform (GCP)

| Hardware vendor | Supported accelerators (GPUs) | Minimum Aggregate GPU Memory | GCP Instance family | Recommended additional disk storage |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| NVIDIA | A100 | 40 GB | A2 series | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | H100 | 80 GB | A3 series | 1TB |
| NVIDIA | 4xL4 | 96 GB | G2 series | 1TB |