ECE408 Report 1

This report we summarize our work on Milestone 1 and 2. In Milestone 1, we ran MXNet baseline forward on both CPU and GPU, and generated a profile results of GPU forward pass. In Milestone2, we implemented a CPU convolution pass in MXNet. All the work is done with the help of RAI, which upload the project folder to AWS, executes steps in build file, and generates the results. The deliverable results are included as follows.

Milestone 1.1 Run the Baseline Forward Pass

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Successfully installed manet
#Running time python /src/ml.1.py
New Inference
Loading fashion-mmist data... done
Loading model... done
EvalMetric: {'accuracy': 0.8673}
9.77user 2.98system 0:04.08elapsed 311%CPU (0avgtext+0avgdata 1639560maxresident)k
91.nputs-262-doutputs (0major+29025minor)pagefaults 0swaps
#The build folder has been uploaded to http://s3.amazonaws.com/files.rai-project.com/userdata/build-6cc038dc-522c-4694-83fc-b523f032e61c.tar.gz. The data will be pre
sent for only a short duration of time.
#Server has ended your request.
```

Milestone 1.2 Run the Baseline GPU Implementation

```
* Running time python m1.2.py
New Inference
Loading fashion-mnist data... done
Loading model...[02:50:06] src/operator/././cudnn_algoreg-inl.h:112: Running performance tests to find the best convolution algorithm, this can take a while... (setting env variable MXNET_CUDNN_AUTOTUNE_DEFAULT to 0 to disable)
done
EvalMetric: {'accuracy': 0.8673}
1.76user 0.96system 0:02.26elapsed 120%CPU (0avgtext+0avgdata 914024maxresident)k
0inputs+3136outputs (0major+157814minor)pagefaults 0swaps
* The build folder has been uploaded to http://s3.amazonaws.com/files.rai-project.com/userdata/build-769a12c0-97f0-4b67-811c-dc0aca9df428.tar.gz. The data will be present for only a short duration of time.
* Server has ended your request.
```

It is confirmed that the accuracy of milestone 1.1 and 1.2 matches the one online. The time elapse of GPU(0:02.26) is faster than the CPU(0:04.08).

Milestone 1.3 Generate NVPROF profile

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=311= Profiling application: python /src/m1.2.py
=311= Profiling result:
ine(%) The Calls Avg Min Max Name
37.47% 50.966ms 1 50.969ms 50.969ms 50.969ms void cudnn::detail::implicit_convolve_sgemm<float, int=1024, int=5, int=3, int=3, int=3, int=1, bool=1, bool=6, bool=1/cint, int, int, float const *, int, cudnn::detail::implicit_convolve_sgemm<float, int=1024, int=5, int=5, int=3, int=3, int=3, int=1, bool=1, bool=6, bool=1/cint, int, int, float const *, int, cudnn::detail::implicit_convolve_sgemm<float, int=1024, int=5, int=5, int=3, int=3, int=3, int=1, bool=1, bool=6, bool=1/cint, int, int, float const *, int, float const *, int, int)
29.16% 39.665ms 1 39.665ms 39.665ms sgemm_sm35 ldg tn 128x8x256x16x32
41.25% 19.399ms 2 9.6694ms 463.97ws 18.926ms void cudnn::detail::activation_fw_4d_kernel<float, float, int=128, int=1, int=4, cudnn::detail::tanh_func<float>

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NVPROF is used to evaluate how effective the optimizations are. The kernels time is sorted and listed in the graph above in descending way. The most time consuming kernels are implicit_convolve_sgemm, void cudnn::detail::activation_fw_4d_kernel, and void cudnn::detail::pooling_fw_4d_kernel

Milestone 2

A new CPU convolution layer is implemented. The correctness and time is attached in graph as follow. The default model is ece408-high with 10000 batch size.

```
* Running time python m2.1.py
New Inference
Loading fashion-mnist data... done
Loading model... done
Op Time: 12.184323
Correctness: 0.8562 Model: ece408-high
20.04user 1.53system 0:15.49elapsed 139%CPU (0avgtext+0avgdata 2750372maxresiden t)k
0inputs+2624outputs (0major+26584minor)pagefaults 0swaps
* The build folder has been uploaded to http://s3.amazonaws.com/files.rai-project.com/userdata/build-2740a1e0-a718-412e-b4f1-c31adfe8bcff.tar.gz. The data will be present for only a short duration of time.
* Server has ended your request.
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When we changed this to ece408-low with 100 batch size, the accuracy became lower, and time elapse decreased.

```
* Running time python m2.1.py ece408-low 100

New Inference
Loading fashion-mnist data... done
Loading model... done

Op Time: 0.120130

Correctness: 0.63 Model: ece408-low
0.86user 0.66system 0:00.80elapsed 189%CPU (0avgtext+0avgdata 138356maxresident)k
0inputs+2624outputs (Omajor+24568minor)pagefaults 0swaps

* The build folder has been uploaded to http://s3.amazonaws.com/files.rai-project.com/userdata/build-64563655-a547-4c01-b61f-f31728d55f60.tar.gz. The data will be present for only a
* Server has ended your request.
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Milestone 3.1 GPU forward implementation

A GPU forward convolution is implemented with accuracy of 0.8562 and time of 0.4 seconds. Each pixel of each output feature map for each batch is computed in parallel. One point needs to be noted is that we tuned the TILE WIDTH and it shows that 24 gives the best runtime.

Milestone 3.2 GPU Profile

It can be seen that the accuracy is same as the one obtained in CPU code (0.8562), but it is much faster than the CPU code (0.4 seconds).

Contributions

We all worked together on the reports and codes. Yijia Xu Hanfei Geng Zhaoying Du