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Problem Statement:

Human pose estimation is a technology used in rehabilitation, prosthetics. Traditional pose estimation relies heavily on camera-based systems, which face challenges such as privacy concerns, limited accuracy in low light and other environments conditions.

Electromyography (EMG) provides a alternative way by capturing signals generated by muscles during movement with respect to the pose/gestures. However, raw EMG signals are noisy, high-dimensional, and vary greatly between individuals. Real-time processing of EMG data for pose estimation requires efficient models, GPU acceleration for training and inference, and deployment through cloud platforms.

This project aims to design and implement a **GPU-accelerated** for EMG based human pose estimation and deploy the trained model on the **cloud** for real-time access. The follow is

1. Cloud storage and train a model – preprocess the dataset and train a model and store the trained model for further validation
2. Train XGBoost model with built in cuda GPU and Custom CUDA kernels – write our own cuda kernels for preprocessing and training XGBoost.
3. Deploy the model into Cloud – deploy the final model into AWS EC2 and expose it as a REST API endpoint, allowing users to send inputs remotely and receive respective output.

PROCEDURE TO IMPLEMENT:

PHASE 1: Cloud storage and train model:(WEEK 1-3)

Main Objectives:

1. Upload EMG dataset to cloud storage for easy access.
    - Use AWS S3 for dataset storage
2. Preprocess signals (denoising, normalization, windowing).

    - Raw EMG recordings were collected in HDF5 format with metadata stored in CSV.

    - The metadata file was loaded to identify file names, stages, and time intervals.

    - Each .hdf5 file was opened, and the EMG signals and joint angles were extracted into excel based on the sliding window.

    - A bandpass filter (20–450 Hz) was applied to the EMG signals.

    - Signals were rectified and smoothed using a moving sliding window of 50 samples in each sample.

    - Both EMG and joint angle data were normalized using z-score normalization.

    - Relevant time ranges were selected as defined in the metadata.csv.

    - Processed EMG channels and joint angles were stored in structured DataFrames.

    - Individual CSVs were saved for each session, and a combined master dataset was created.

    - A processing summary was generated and saved to Google Drive for cloud storage.

3. Train a baseline XGBoost model for the processed dataset.

4. Store trained model in cloud for validation – for testing in cloud.

PHASE 2: GPU Training with Built-in CUDA + Custom CUDA Kernels: (WEEK 3 -

➔ For comparative analysis for CUDA with built in and custom CUDA kernels

Main Objectives:

1. Training with XGBoost's built-in CUDA GPU.
   - Load preprocessed dataset into a GPU-enabled instance.

2. Write custom CUDA kernels
   - preprocessing implement CUDA (replace modules like NumPy) :
     →Sliding-window, Band-pass filtering
     →implement parts of training using custom CUDA kernels for optimization.

Analysis the comparative study for both and compare the memory usage, accuracy,

PHASE 3: Deploy the model into Cloud

➔ Deploy the trained custom cuda XGBoost model into the cloud (AWS EC2) and deploy using REST API service.

1. Identify the Deployment Targets

   The trained model as "emg_pose_gpu.json" must run on a server and the server should deploy a REST API endpoint. the API should return predicted joint angles with respect to the input emg signal.