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Actual exam question from Google's Professional Machine Learning Engineer

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You are training a Resnet model on AI Platform using TPUs to visually categorize types of defects in automobile engines. You capture the training profile using the Cloud TPU profiler plugin and observe that it is highly input-bound. You want to reduce the bottleneck and speed up your model training process. Which modifications should you make to the tf.data dataset? (Choose two.)

- A. Use the interleave option for reading data.
- B. Reduce the value of the repeat parameter.
- C. Increase the buffer size for the shuttle option.
- D. Set the prefetch option equal to the training batch size.
- E. Decrease the batch size argument in your transformation.

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AD - please weigh in guys

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- A. Use the interleave option for reading data. - Yes, that helps to parallelize data reading.
- B. Reduce the value of the repeat parameter. - No, this is only to repeat rows of the dataset.
- C. Increase the buffer size for the shuttle option. - No, there is only a shuttle option.
- D. Set the prefetch option equal to the training batch size. - Yes, this will pre-load the data.
- E. Decrease the batch size argument in your transformation. - No, could be even slower due to more I/Os.

https://www.tensorflow.org/guide/data_performance

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Selected Answer: AD

A) and D) are the right answers!



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Selected Answer: AD

A and D : https://www.tensorflow.org/guide/data_performance , interleave and prefetch

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Selected Answer: AD

Went with A & D



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Selected Answer: AD

yes AD

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Selected Answer: AD

Yes AD

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Selected Answer: AD

YES.....AD - agree with danielp1

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AD - agree with danielp1

By the way, this is handy to understand the significance of shuffle buffer_size:

<https://stackoverflow.com/a/48096625/1933315>



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Selected Answer: DE

I think D & E are correct.

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AD should be the right answer.

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For me it should be D and E as well. Prefetching will help reading data while training is performed, which helps with the

bottleneck, D is for sure right. I think decreasing batch size would help too, because less records will be read in each training step (reading a lot of records would lead to the bottleneck described, as reading data is costly).

I'm not 100% sure on A, personally I don't think processing many input files concurrently would help in this case because the reading operation is precisely the problem. However, I'm no expert in this topic so I might be wrong.

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D is not correct answer. Instead of decreasing batch size, increasing may help.
(<https://cloud.google.com/tpu/docs/performance-guide> - "TPU model performance" section)

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you mean E, not D, right?

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I think it should be DE. I found this article <https://towardsdatascience.com/overcoming-data-preprocessing-bottlenecks-with-tensorflow-data-service-nvidia-dali-and-other-d6321917f851>

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