



Interactive Deep Learning in Cloud via MMLSpark

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Overview

- Toward a **single environment** for fast experimentation with **big data** and **big compute**



- **Spark + Accelerators** (*GPU, FPGA, TPU, ...*) + **MPI**
- **High performance** with:
 - **Cost effectiveness**
 - **Ease of use**
 - **Extensibility** and **openness**

MMLSpark

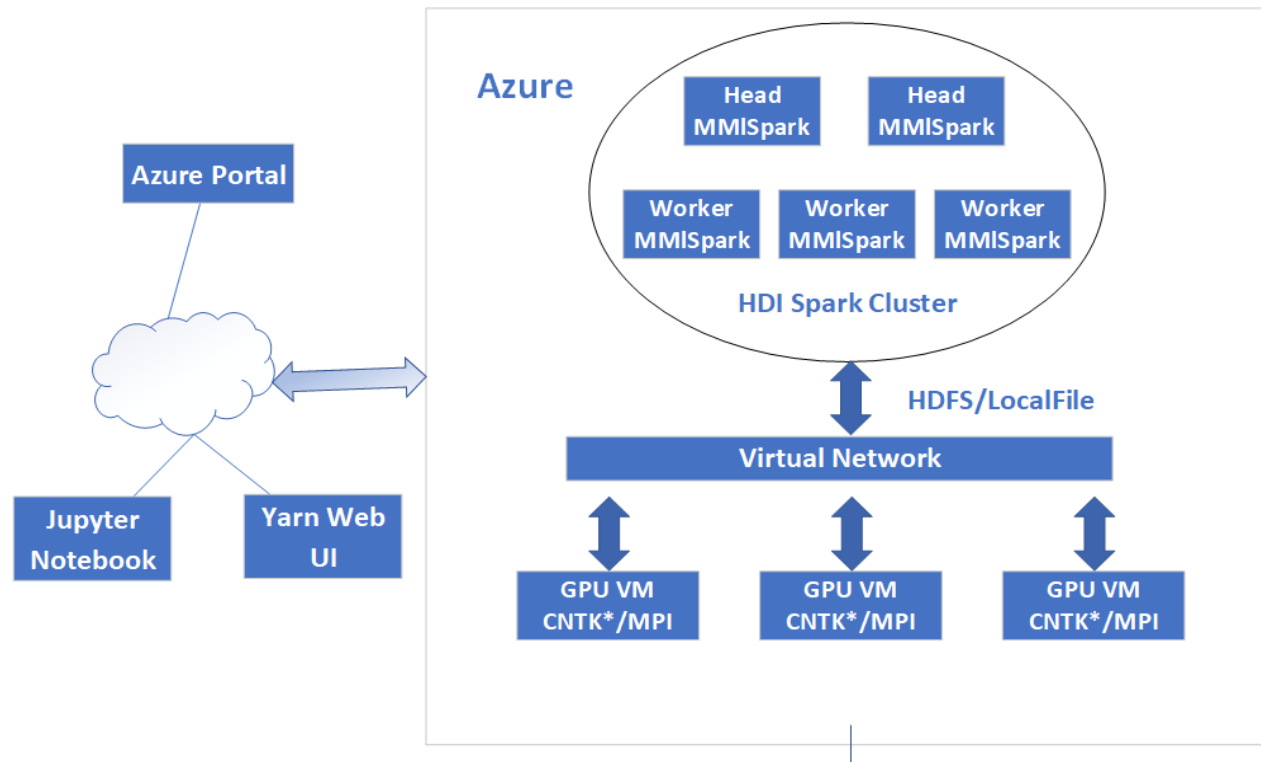
<https://github.com/Azure/mmlspark/>

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Key Advantages

- **Fast experimentation with Deep Learning**
 - GPU vs CPU: ~**40x** speedup
 - **Single interactive** environment with easy setup
- **Trained an accurate model on NIH chest X-ray dataset in days**
 - Data size: **45** GB compressed on disk; O(**1**) TB in memory
 - Model size: **46** million parameters
- **Cost to train the above model: < \$**9.54****
 - Spark cluster (**10** nodes) : \$**2.48**/hour
 - **4** GPUs: \$**2.29**/hour
 - Training time: **54** mins

Implementation



Setup the System

TEMPLATE

Customized template
2 resources

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BASICS

* Subscription: MAML Performance and Accuracy

* Resource group: ☒ Create new ☐ Use existing
[Create a resource group](#)

* Location: East US

SETTINGS

* Cluster Name:

Cluster Login User Name: admin

* Cluster Login Password:

Ssh User Name: sshuser

* Ssh Password:

Head Node Size: Standard_D3_v2

Worker Node Count: 2

Worker Node Size: Standard_D3_v2

Gpu Virtual Machine Name: mygpvm

Gpu Virtual Machine Size: Standard_NC12

<https://github.com/Azure/mmlspark/blob/master/docs/gpu-setup.md>


1. Deploy an ARM template within the [Azure Portal](#)

→ [Click here to open the above main template](#) in the Azure portal.

(If needed, you click the **Edit template** button to view and edit the template.)

Attach a New VM

TEMPLATE

 Customized template
4 resources

 Edit template

 Edit parameters

 Learn more

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SETTINGS

Virtual Machine Name

Virtual Machine Size

Admin Username

* Admin Password

* Existing Virtual Network Name

* Existing Subnet Name

Set up passwordless SSH login to the GPU VM

```
./setup-ssh-access.sh <vm-name> [<username>]
```

GPU Type	Peak FLOPS/s (FP32)	Price
Tesla K80	8.7 teraflops	\$0.574/hour
Tesla P40	12 teraflops	1.319/hour
Tesla P100	10.6 teraflops	1.319/hour
Tesla V100	15.7 teraflops	\$1.95/hour
Earth Simulator (2003)	41 teraflops	>> \$832/hour

Programming API

In [9]: # Specify the working directory and GPU node name and GPU count

```
workingDir = "file:/tmp/gpuwork08/"
gpum = ["mygpuvm6,1", "mygpuvm5,1"]
print("Working in " + workingDir)
```

Working in file:/tmp/gpuwork08/

In [10]: # Train the distributed learner using the VM configured above

```
learner = CNTKLearner(brainScript=brainscriptText, dataTransfer="hdfs", \
    gpuMachines=gpum, workingDir=workingDir, dataFormat="parquet").fit(trainingSet)
```

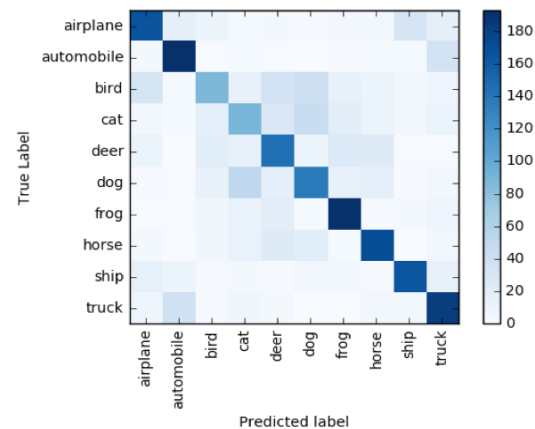
In [11]: # Evaluate the model

```
scoredImages = learner.setOutputNodeName("z").setInputCol("images").setOutputCol("scored").transform(testSet)
scoredImages.show(10)
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+
|      images|      labels|      scored|
+-----+-----+-----+
|[0.0,0.0,3.0,20.0...|[0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,...|[-1.6580553054809...|
|[1.0,1.0,1.0,1.0,...|[0.0,1.0,0.0,0.0,...|[2.34054183959960...|
|[2.0,0.0,0.0,1.0,...|[0.0,1.0,0.0,0.0,...|[2.14736747741699...|
|[8.0,9.0,10.0,10....|[0.0,0.0,0.0,1.0,...|[-3.2394561767578...|
|[10.0,6.0,15.0,32...|[0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,...|[-1.3545703887939...|
|[12.0,11.0,13.0,1...|[0.0,1.0,0.0,0.0,...|[3.20597457885742...|
|[12.0,15.0,27.0,3...|[0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,...|[-1.8197877407073...|
|[13.0,12.0,13.0,1...|[0.0,0.0,0.0,1.0,...|[0.20799629390239...|
|[14.0,44.0,110.0,...|[0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,...|[-1.5866813659667...|
|[16.0,21.0,21.0,1...|[0.0,0.0,0.0,1.0,...|[-0.1906604766845...|
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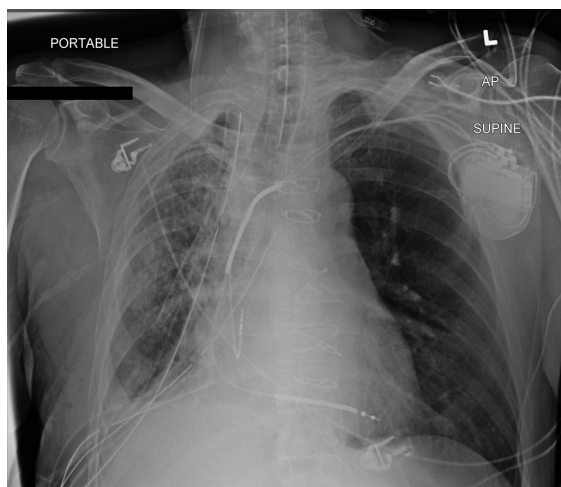
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GPU	Epochs	Minibatch size	Wall clock time
Yes	30	32	1m53s
No	30	32	73m8s



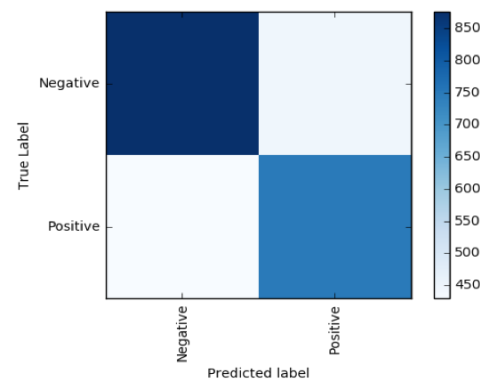
Test Case: NIH Chest X-ray Dataset

- **112,120** X-ray images (**1024** by **1024**)
- **14** pathology labels
- **30,805** unique patients



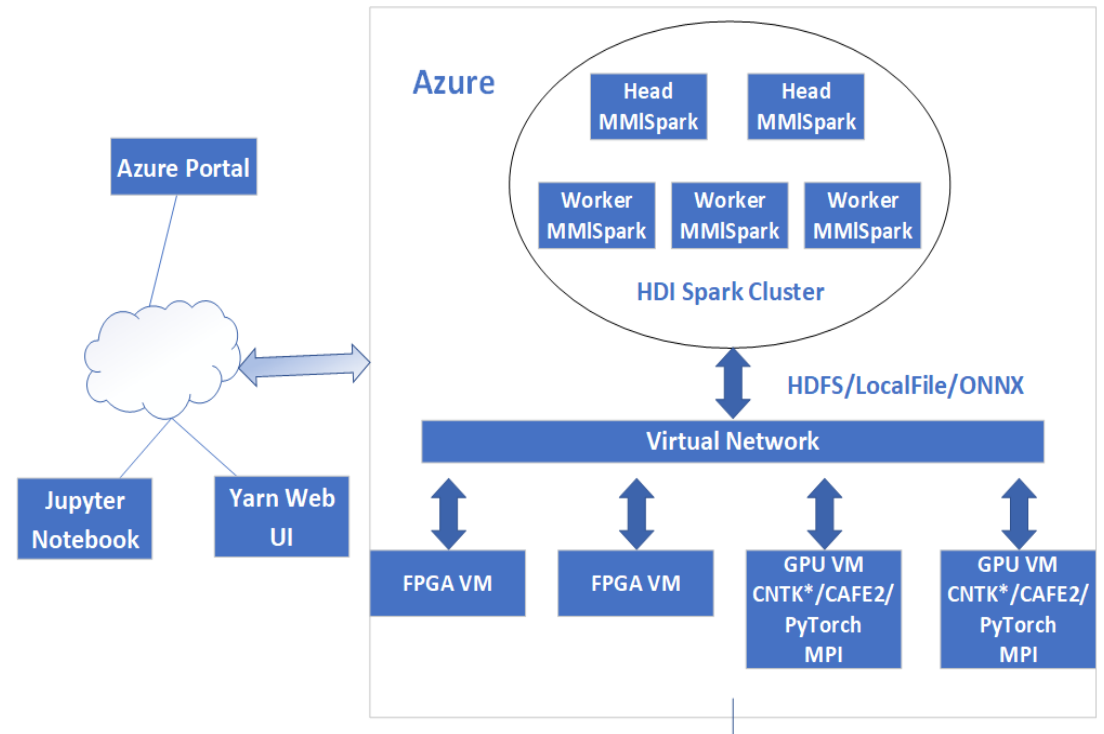
- **AlexNet** with **46** million parameters
- **Half of the dataset for training**
- **Downsized to 224 by 224**
- **Binary model**
- **Data Parallel 1-Bit SGD**

Configuration	Epochs	Minibatch size	Wall clock time
4 GPUs, 2 VMs	55	512	55m47s
4 GPUs, 4 VMs	55	512	53m40s



Conclusion & Future Work

- A dynamically **configurable hybrid** architecture to support more **big data + big compute** scenarios with **cost effectiveness**
 - Data exchange (*Parquet adaptor*)
 - Model exchange (*ONNX*)
 - Single environment (*Resource management*)
 - Openness (*More frameworks*)



Thank You!

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Test System Configuration

Node Type	Number	Size	Price
Spark Cluster Node	10	2.4 GHz Intel Xeon® E5-2673 v3 processor; 8 cores; 28Gib	\$0.248/hour
GPU VM	2	1 NVIDIA Tesla K80 GPU; 6 cores; 56Gib	\$0.574/hour
GPU VM	2	2 NVIDIA Tesla K80 GPU; 12 cores; 112Gib	\$1.147/hour