

# C2\_W4\_Lab\_2\_multi-GPU-mirrored-strategy

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## 1 Multi-GPU Mirrored Strategy

In this ungraded lab, you'll go through how to set up a Multi-GPU Mirrored Strategy. The lab environment only has a CPU but we placed the code here in case you want to try this out for yourself in a multiGPU device.

**Notes:** - If you are running this on Coursera, you'll see it gives a warning about no presence of GPU devices. - If you are running this in Colab, make sure you have selected your `runtime` to be GPU. - In both these cases, you'll see there's only 1 device that is available.  
- One device is sufficient for helping you understand these distribution strategies.

### 1.1 Imports

```
[1]: import tensorflow as tf
import numpy as np
import os
```

### 1.2 Setup Distribution Strategy

```
[2]: # Note that it generally has a minimum of 8 cores, but if your GPU has
# less, you need to set this. In this case one of my GPUs has 4 cores
os.environ["TF_MIN_GPU_MULTIPROCESSOR_COUNT"] = "4"

# If the list of devices is not specified in the
# `tf.distribute.MirroredStrategy` constructor, it will be auto-detected.
# If you have *different* GPUs in your system, you probably have to set up
→ cross_device_ops like this
strategy = tf.distribute.MirroredStrategy(cross_device_ops=tf.distribute.
→ HierarchicalCopyAllReduce())
print ('Number of devices: {}'.format(strategy.num_replicas_in_sync))
```

```
INFO:tensorflow:Using MirroredStrategy with devices
('/job:localhost/replica:0/task:0/device:CPU:0',)
Number of devices: 1
```

### 1.3 Prepare the Data

```
[3]: # Get the data
fashion_mnist = tf.keras.datasets.fashion_mnist
(train_images, train_labels), (test_images, test_labels) = fashion_mnist.
    ↪load_data()

# Adding a dimension to the array -> new shape == (28, 28, 1)
# We are doing this because the first layer in our model is a convolutional
# layer and it requires a 4D input (batch_size, height, width, channels).
# batch_size dimension will be added later on.
train_images = train_images[..., None]
test_images = test_images[..., None]

# Normalize the images to [0, 1] range.
train_images = train_images / np.float32(255)
test_images = test_images / np.float32(255)

# Batch the input data
BUFFER_SIZE = len(train_images)
BATCH_SIZE_PER_REPLICA = 64
GLOBAL_BATCH_SIZE = BATCH_SIZE_PER_REPLICA * strategy.num_replicas_in_sync

# Create Datasets from the batches
train_dataset = tf.data.Dataset.from_tensor_slices((train_images,
    ↪train_labels)).shuffle(BUFFER_SIZE).batch(GLOBAL_BATCH_SIZE)
test_dataset = tf.data.Dataset.from_tensor_slices((test_images, test_labels)).
    ↪batch(GLOBAL_BATCH_SIZE)

# Create Distributed Datasets from the datasets
train_dist_dataset = strategy.experimental_distribute_dataset(train_dataset)
test_dist_dataset = strategy.experimental_distribute_dataset(test_dataset)
```

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Downloading data from https://storage.googleapis.com/tensorflow/tf-keras-
datasets/train-labels-idx1-ubyte.gz
32768/29515 [=====] - 0s 0us/step
Downloading data from https://storage.googleapis.com/tensorflow/tf-keras-
datasets/train-images-idx3-ubyte.gz
26427392/26421880 [=====] - ETA: - 0s 0us/step
Downloading data from https://storage.googleapis.com/tensorflow/tf-keras-
datasets/t10k-labels-idx1-ubyte.gz
8192/5148 [=====] - 0s 0us/step
Downloading data from https://storage.googleapis.com/tensorflow/tf-keras-
datasets/t10k-images-idx3-ubyte.gz
4423680/4422102 [=====] - 0s 0us/step
```

## 1.4 Define the Model

```
[4]: # Create the model architecture
def create_model():
    model = tf.keras.Sequential([
        tf.keras.layers.Conv2D(32, 3, activation='relu'),
        tf.keras.layers.MaxPooling2D(),
        tf.keras.layers.Conv2D(64, 3, activation='relu'),
        tf.keras.layers.MaxPooling2D(),
        tf.keras.layers.Flatten(),
        tf.keras.layers.Dense(64, activation='relu'),
        tf.keras.layers.Dense(10)
    ])
    return model
```

## 1.5 Configure custom training

Instead of `model.compile()`, we're going to do custom training, so let's do that within a strategy scope.

```
[5]: with strategy.scope():
    # We will use sparse categorical crossentropy as always. But, instead of
    ↪having the loss function
    # manage the map reduce across GPUs for us, we'll do it ourselves with a
    ↪simple algorithm.
    # Remember -- the map reduce is how the losses get aggregated
    # Set reduction to `none` so we can do the reduction afterwards and divide
    ↪by global batch size.
    loss_object = tf.keras.losses.
    ↪SparseCategoricalCrossentropy(from_logits=True, reduction=tf.keras.losses.
    ↪Reduction.NONE)

    def compute_loss(labels, predictions):
        # Compute Loss uses the loss object to compute the loss
        # Notice that per_example_loss will have an entry per GPU
        # so in this case there'll be 2 -- i.e. the loss for each replica
        per_example_loss = loss_object(labels, predictions)
        # You can print it to see it -- you'll get output like this:
        # Tensor("sparse_categorical_crossentropy/weighted_loss/Mul:0",
        ↪shape=(48,), dtype=float32, device=/job:localhost/replica:0/task:0/device:
        ↪GPU:0)
        # Tensor("replica_1/sparse_categorical_crossentropy/weighted_loss/Mul:
        ↪0", shape=(48,), dtype=float32, device=/job:localhost/replica:0/task:0/
        ↪device:GPU:1)
        # Note in particular that replica_0 isn't named in the weighted_loss --
        ↪the first is unnamed, the second is replica_1 etc
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        print(per_example_loss)
        return tf.nn.compute_average_loss(per_example_loss,
↪global_batch_size=GLOBAL_BATCH_SIZE)

# We'll just reduce by getting the average of the losses
test_loss = tf.keras.metrics.Mean(name='test_loss')

# Accuracy on train and test will be SparseCategoricalAccuracy
train_accuracy = tf.keras.metrics.
↪SparseCategoricalAccuracy(name='train_accuracy')
test_accuracy = tf.keras.metrics.
↪SparseCategoricalAccuracy(name='test_accuracy')

# Optimizer will be Adam
optimizer = tf.keras.optimizers.Adam()

# Create the model within the scope
model = create_model()

```

## 1.6 Train and Test Steps Functions

Let's define a few utilities to facilitate the training.

```

[6]: # `run` replicates the provided computation and runs it
# with the distributed input.
@tf.function
def distributed_train_step(dataset_inputs):
    per_replica_losses = strategy.run(train_step, args=(dataset_inputs,))
    #tf.print(per_replica_losses.values)
    return strategy.reduce(tf.distribute.ReduceOp.SUM, per_replica_losses,
↪axis=None)

def train_step(inputs):
    images, labels = inputs
    with tf.GradientTape() as tape:
        predictions = model(images, training=True)
        loss = compute_loss(labels, predictions)

    gradients = tape.gradient(loss, model.trainable_variables)
    optimizer.apply_gradients(zip(gradients, model.trainable_variables))

    train_accuracy.update_state(labels, predictions)
    return loss

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# Test Steps Functions

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```
#####
@tf.function
def distributed_test_step(dataset_inputs):
    return strategy.run(test_step, args=(dataset_inputs,))

def test_step(inputs):
    images, labels = inputs

    predictions = model(images, training=False)
    t_loss = loss_object(labels, predictions)

    test_loss.update_state(t_loss)
    test_accuracy.update_state(labels, predictions)
```

## 1.7 Training Loop

We can now start training the model.

```
[7]: EPOCHS = 10
for epoch in range(EPOCHS):
    # Do Training
    total_loss = 0.0
    num_batches = 0
    for batch in train_dist_dataset:
        total_loss += distributed_train_step(batch)
        num_batches += 1
    train_loss = total_loss / num_batches

    # Do Testing
    for batch in test_dist_dataset:
        distributed_test_step(batch)

    template = ("Epoch {}, Loss: {}, Accuracy: {}, Test Loss: {}, " "Test_
    ↳Accuracy: {}")

    print (template.format(epoch+1, train_loss, train_accuracy.result()*100,
    ↳test_loss.result(), test_accuracy.result()*100))

    test_loss.reset_states()
    train_accuracy.reset_states()
    test_accuracy.reset_states()
```

WARNING:tensorflow:From /opt/conda/lib/python3.7/site-packages/tensorflow/python/data/ops/multi\_device\_iterator\_ops.py:601: get\_next\_as\_optional (from tensorflow.python.data.ops.iterator\_ops) is deprecated and will be removed in a future version.

Instructions for updating:

Use ``tf.data.Iterator.get_next_as_optional()`` instead.

Tensor("sparse\_categorical\_crossentropy/weighted\_loss/Mul:0", shape=(64,), dtype=float32, device=/job:localhost/replica:0/task:0/device:CPU:0)

Tensor("sparse\_categorical\_crossentropy/weighted\_loss/Mul:0", shape=(64,), dtype=float32, device=/job:localhost/replica:0/task:0/device:CPU:0)

Tensor("sparse\_categorical\_crossentropy/weighted\_loss/Mul:0", shape=(32,), dtype=float32, device=/job:localhost/replica:0/task:0/device:CPU:0)

Epoch 1, Loss: 0.496785968542099, Accuracy: 81.85832977294922, Test Loss: 0.38462960720062256, Test Accuracy: 85.81999969482422

Epoch 2, Loss: 0.3304440975189209, Accuracy: 88.06666564941406, Test Loss: 0.32357481122016907, Test Accuracy: 88.45000457763672

Epoch 3, Loss: 0.28688982129096985, Accuracy: 89.4800033569336, Test Loss: 0.30426761507987976, Test Accuracy: 88.80000305175781

Epoch 4, Loss: 0.254894882440567, Accuracy: 90.63833618164062, Test Loss: 0.2987998425960541, Test Accuracy: 89.19000244140625

Epoch 5, Loss: 0.23225906491279602, Accuracy: 91.37332916259766, Test Loss: 0.27157366275787354, Test Accuracy: 90.10000610351562

Epoch 6, Loss: 0.21338535845279694, Accuracy: 92.0250015258789, Test Loss: 0.26956674456596375, Test Accuracy: 90.20999908447266

Epoch 7, Loss: 0.19498766958713531, Accuracy: 92.86500549316406, Test Loss: 0.25706908106803894, Test Accuracy: 90.83999633789062

Epoch 8, Loss: 0.18076969683170319, Accuracy: 93.25167083740234, Test Loss: 0.23967890441417694, Test Accuracy: 91.47999572753906

Epoch 9, Loss: 0.1635769009590149, Accuracy: 93.84833526611328, Test Loss: 0.2645929753780365, Test Accuracy: 91.0199966430664

Epoch 10, Loss: 0.15238967537879944, Accuracy: 94.28666687011719, Test Loss: 0.2580990493297577, Test Accuracy: 91.15999603271484

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