## **Inspiration Day Report**

How to Train the Really Large Model on Many GPUs?

DeepSpeed: Extreme-scale model training for everyone

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简介: DeepSpeed框架: 由微软和英伟达联合推出的,在万亿参数预训练大模型目标下的高效训练框架 融合多种优化手段,包括课程学习、高效通信的优化器以及MoE等关键技术构建适用于大规模数据 和模型参数的训练框架DeepSpeed。该方法可以将Bert-large从原有训练需要的64GPU的代价,降低到只需要 单卡V100即可训练收敛。

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# **Background & Motivation**



The pre-trained large model based on Transformer has been investigated much among Natural Language, Speech and Computer Vision, even Decision Making



(a) Pre-trained models in NLP





(c) Pre-trained models in Speech

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## What is pre-training?

• The training in advance of standard training

# Why we need super-large model with pre-training?

• The standard training (data/model size) is not enough

# What to learn in pre-training from the large model

- Representation learning: more general, self-supervised
- Task learning: more task specific, supervised

### What problems the super-huge model use?

- Computing resource requirements
- Low efficiency across multiple GPUs to update the large model
- Data loading with low efficiency

# So How to train a really large model on many GPUs with huge datasets

# Critical Techniques – Distributed Training Parallelism

# Data parallelism (DP):

The simplest method is to copy the model on many workers and pass partial data to each worker. But the problem emerges when the model overhead the memory of a single GPU.

### Model parallelism (MP):

MP aims to solve the case when the model weights cannot fit into a single node.

They use gradient accumulation for the model parallelism and only allocates a fraction of model parameters on one worker and thus both the memory usage and the computation are reduced.



Figure: A naive model parallelism setup where the model is vertically split into 4 partitions.

# Critical Techniques – Distributed Training Parallelism

# Pipeline parallelism (PP):

PP combines model parallelism with data parallelism to reduce inefficient time "bubbles". The main idea is to split one minibatch into multiple micro batches and enable each stage worker to process one micro batch simultaneously

## **PP in DeepSpeed**

DeepSpeed uses *gradient accumulation* to extract pipeline parallelism. Once a stage completes the forward pass for a micro-batch, the activation memory is communicated to the next stage in the pipeline



(a) 3D pipeline in DeepSpeed



(b) An illustration of how DeepSpeed will train a batch with eight micro-batches using hybrid two-way data parallelism and two-stage pipeline parallelism.



# Critical Techniques – Optimizer Design for Saving Memory

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### 1-bit LAMB in DeepSpeed

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$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{m}_{t}^{(l)} = & \beta_{1} \boldsymbol{m}_{t-1}^{(l)} + (1 - \beta_{1}) \boldsymbol{g}_{t}^{(l)}, \boldsymbol{v}_{t}^{(l)} = \beta_{2} \boldsymbol{v}_{t-1}^{(l)} + (1 - \beta_{2}) (\boldsymbol{g}_{t}^{(l)})^{2} \\ \boldsymbol{u}_{t}^{(l)} = & \frac{\boldsymbol{m}_{t}^{(l)}}{\sqrt{\boldsymbol{v}_{t}^{(l)} + \eta}}, c_{t}^{(l)} = \operatorname{clip}\left(\frac{\|\boldsymbol{x}_{t-1}^{(l)}\|}{\|\boldsymbol{u}_{t}^{(l)}\|}, c_{min}, c_{max}\right) \\ \boldsymbol{x}_{t}^{(l)} = & \boldsymbol{x}_{t-1}^{(l)} - \gamma c_{t}^{(l)} \boldsymbol{u}_{t}^{(l)}. \end{split}$$

#### Algorithm 1 1-bit LAMB

- 1: **Initialize:**  $x_0^{(l)}$ ,  $m_0^{(l)} = 0$ ,  $v_0^{(l)} = 0$ ,  $c_{avg}^{(l)} = 0$  for each layer. Learning rate  $\gamma$ , initial error  $\delta = 0$ , number of total iterations T, warm-up steps  $T_w$ , three decaying factor  $\beta_1$ ,  $\beta_2$ ,  $\beta_3$  for LAMB's momentum, variance, and scaling coefficient.  $r^{(l)} = 1$ ,  $r_{min}$ ,  $r_{max}$ ,  $r_{threshold}$  for 1-bit LAMB.
- 2: Running the original LAMB in (1) for  $T_w$  steps, and at each step  $c_{avg}^{(l)} = \beta_3 c_{avg}^{(l)} + (1 \beta_3) c_t^{(l)}$ .
- 3: At the end of step  $T_w$ , for each layer store the variance term (defined as  $v_t^{(l)}$  in (I))  $v_{T_w}^{(l)}$  while still keep updating  $v_t^{(l)}$  in the future steps. Also stop updating  $c_{avg}^{(l)}$ .
- 4: for  $t = T_w, \ldots, T$  do
- 5: (On *i*-th node)
- 6: Randomly sample  $\boldsymbol{\xi}_{t}^{(i)}$  and compute local stochastic gradient  $\boldsymbol{g}_{t}^{(i)} := \nabla F_{i}(\boldsymbol{x}_{t}^{(i)}, \boldsymbol{\xi}_{t}^{(i)})$ , and update the local momentum  $\boldsymbol{m}_{t}^{(i)}$  according to  $\boldsymbol{m}_{t}^{(i)} = \beta_{1}\boldsymbol{m}_{t-1}^{(i)} + (1-\beta_{1})\boldsymbol{g}_{t}^{(i)}$ .
- 7: Compress the fused momentum  $\boldsymbol{m}_{t}^{(i)}$  into  $\hat{\boldsymbol{m}}_{t}^{(i)} = \boldsymbol{C}_{\omega} \left[ \boldsymbol{m}_{t}^{(i)} + \boldsymbol{\delta}_{t-1}^{(i)} \right]$ , and update the compression error by  $\boldsymbol{\delta}_{t}^{(i)} = \boldsymbol{m}_{t}^{(i)} + \boldsymbol{\delta}_{t-1}^{(i)} \hat{\boldsymbol{m}}_{t}^{(i)}$ .
- 8: Send the  $\hat{m}_t^{(i)}$  to the server.
- 9: (On server)
- 10: Take the average over all  $\hat{\boldsymbol{m}}_{t}^{(i)}$  it receives and compress it into  $\overline{\boldsymbol{m}}_{t} = \boldsymbol{C}_{\omega} \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \hat{\boldsymbol{m}}_{t}^{(i)} + \overline{\boldsymbol{\delta}}_{t-1} \right]$ , and update the compression error accordingly by  $\overline{\boldsymbol{\delta}}_{t} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \hat{\boldsymbol{m}}_{t}^{(i)} + \overline{\boldsymbol{\delta}}_{t-1} \overline{\boldsymbol{m}}_{t}$ .

(n)

- 11: Send  $\overline{m}_t$  to all the workers.
- 12: (**On** *j***-th node**)
- 13: Set  $m_t = \overline{m}_t$ . 14: **for** the *l*-th layer **do**
- 15: Reconstruct global gradient  $\boldsymbol{g}_{t}^{(l)} = (\boldsymbol{m}_{t}^{(l)} \beta_{1} \boldsymbol{m}_{t-1}^{(l)})/(1 \beta_{1}).$

16: 
$$\boldsymbol{v}_{t}^{(l)} = \beta_2 \boldsymbol{v}_{t-1}^{(l)} + (1 - \beta_2) \left(\boldsymbol{g}_{t}^{(l)}\right)^2.$$

$$1/: \quad r_t^{(i)} = \left\| v_{T_w}^{(i)} / v_t^{(i)} \right\|_{\infty}.$$

18: 
$$r_t^{(t)} = \operatorname{clip}\left(r_t^{(t)}, (1 - r_{threshold}) \times r_{t-1}^{(t)}, (1 + r_{threshold}) \times r_{t-1}^{(t)}\right)$$

19: 
$$r_t^{(l)} = \operatorname{clip}\left(r_t^{(l)}, r_{min}, r_{max}\right).$$

20: 
$$c_t^{(l)} = r_t^{(l)} c_{avg}^{(l)}$$
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21: Update model of the *l*-th layer 
$$\boldsymbol{x}_{t}^{(l)} = \boldsymbol{x}_{t-1}^{(l)} - \gamma c_{t}^{(l)} \frac{\boldsymbol{n}_{t}}{\sqrt{\boldsymbol{v}_{T_{w}}^{(l)}}}$$

22: end for
23: end for
24: Output: *x*.

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# Critical Techniques – Mixture-of-Experts, MoE

### Mixture-of-Expert Routing, MoE

Shazeer et al. proposed a natural language Mixture-of-Experts (MoE) layer which takes as an input a token representation x and then routes this to the best determined top- k experts, selected from a set  $\{E_i(x)\}_i^N$  of N experts.

### **MoE in DeepSpeed**

Referring to Switch Transformer, depending on the gating outputs, not every expert has to be evaluated. When the number of experts is too large, we can consider using a two-level hierarchical MoE. For the trade-off between the performance and the capacity





# Critical Techniques – Curriculum Learning for stabilizing

### Take the sequence length as the difficulty metrics

They start from shorter sequence training data, then gradually increase the sequence length) for two reasons.

- (1) Sequence length as the curriculum difficulty metric has been proven to be effective in NLP;
- (2) It can reduce the time complexity

But supporting the curriculum requires reordering the whole datasets causing the additional cost.

They truncate the raw text into sequences with the same length to form a mini-batch with a pacing function as below

### Pacing function: step-wise linear

Given a starting sequence length  $seqlen_1$ , an ending sequence length  $seqlen_2$  (baseline full sequence length), and a curriculum duration T (number of steps), the sequence length used for the training batch at step t is

$$seqlen_t = seqlen_1 + (seqlen_2 - seqlen_1) \times \min(\frac{l}{T}, 1)$$



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Figure: Training GPT-2 1.5B Seqlen 1k pre-training







# What techniques we can borrow?

MoE、Curriculum Learning

# How DeepSpeed help us to train a model?

Pre-trained Model with Large scale

When the pre-trained model fails?

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