Entering the Era of Choice in AI: Putting Dell[™] PowerEdge[™] XE9680 Server with AMD[®] Instinct[™] MI300X Accelerators to the Test by Finetuning and Deploying Llama 2 70B Chat Model.

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In this blog, Metrum AI[™] will show you how to fine-tune large language models (LLMs), deploy 70B parameter models, and run a chatbot on the Dell[™] PowerEdge[™] XE9680 Server equipped with AMD[®] Instinct[™] MI300X Accelerators.



With the release of the AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerator, we are now entering an era of choice for leading AI Accelerators that power today's generative AI solutions. Dell has paired the accelerators with its flagship PowerEdge XE9680 server for high performance AI applications. To put this leadership combination to the test, Metrum AI[™] received early access and developed a fine-tuning stack with industry leading open-source components and deployed the Llama 2 70B Chat Model with FP16 precision in an enterprise chatbot scenario. In doing so, Metrum AI[™] uncovered three critical value drivers:

- Deployed the Llama 2 70B parameter model on a single AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerator on the Dell PowerEdge XE9680 Server.
- Deployed eight concurrent instances of the model by utilizing all eight available AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerators on the Dell PowerEdge XE9680 Server.
- Fine-tuned the Llama 2 70B parameter model with FP16 precision on one Dell PowerEdge XE9680 Server with eight AMD Instinct MI300X accelerators.



This showcases industry leading total cost of ownership value for enterprises looking to fine-tune state of the art large language models with their own proprietary data, and deploy them on a single Dell PowerEdge XE9680 server equipped with AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerators.

"The PowerEdge XE9680 paired with AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerators delivers industry leading capability for fine-tuning and deploying eight concurrent instances of the Llama 2 70B FP16 model on a single server."



- Chetan Gadgil, CTO, Metrum AI

To recreate, start with Dell PowerEdge XE9680 Server configurations as such.

OS: Ubuntu 22.04.4 LTS Kernel version: 5.15.0-94-generic Docker Version: Docker version 25.0.3, build 4debf41 ROCm[™] version: 6.0.2 Server: Dell[™] PowerEdge[™] XE9680 GPU: 8x AMD[®] Instinct[™] MI300X Accelerators

Setup Steps

1. Install the AMD[®] ROCm[™] driver, libraries, and tools. Follow the detailed <u>installation</u> <u>instructions</u> for your Linux based platform.

To ensure these installations are successful, check the GPU info using rocm-smi.

2. Clone the vLLM GitHub repository for 0.3.2 version as below:

git clone -b v0.3.2 https://github.com/vllm-project/vllm.git

3. Build the Docker container from the Dockerfile.rocm file inside the cloned vLLM repository.

```
cd vllm
sudo docker build -f Dockerfile.rocm -t vllm-rocm:latest .
```

4. Use the command below to start the vLLM ROCm docker container and open the container shell.

```
sudo docker run -it \
--name vllm \
--network=host \
--device=/dev/kfd \
--device=/dev/dri \
--shm-size 16G \
--group-add=video \
--workdir=/ \
vllm-rocm:latest bash
```

5. Use the command below to start the vLLM ROCm docker container and open the container shell.

```
huggingface-cli login
```

Part 1.0 - Let's start by showcasing how you can run the Llama 2 70B Chat Model on one AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerator on the PowerEdge XE9680 server. Previously we would use two cutting edge GPUs to complete this task.



Deploying Llama 2 70B Chat Model with vLLM 0.3.2 on a single AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerator with Dell PowerEdge XE9680 Server.

Run vLLM Serving with Llama 2 70B Chat Model

1. Start the vLLM server for Llama 2 70B Chat model with FP16 precision loaded on a single AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerator.

```
python3 -m vllm.entrypoints.openai.api_server --model meta-
llama/Llama-2-70b-chat-hf --dtype float16 --tensor-parallel-size 1
```

2. Execute the following curl request to verify if vLLM is successfully serving the model at the chat completion endpoint.

```
curl http://localhost:8000/v1/chat/completions \
    -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
    -d '{
        "model": "meta-llama/Llama-2-70b-chat-hf",
        "max_tokens":256,
        "temperature":1.0,
        "messages": [
            {"role": "system", "content": "You are a helpful
assistant."},
            {"role": "user", "content": "Describe AMD ROCm in 180
words."}
        ]
    }'
```

The response should look as follows.

{"id":"cmpl-

42f932f6081e45fa8ce7a7212cb19adb","object":"chat.completion","create d":1150766,"model":"meta-llama/Llama-2-70b-chat-hf","choices": [{"index":0,"message":{"role":"assistant","content":" AMD ROCm (Radeon Open Compute MTV) is an open-source software platform developed by AMD for high-performance computing and deep learning applications. It allows developers to tap into the massive parallel processing power of AMD Radeon GPUs, providing faster performance and more efficient use of computational resources. ROCm supports a variety of popular deep learning frameworks, including TensorFlow, PyTorch, and Caffe, and is designed to work seamlessly with AMD's GPU-accelerated hardware. ROCm offers features such as low-level hardware control, GPU Virtualization, and support for multi-GPU configurations, making it an ideal choice for demanding workloads like artificial intelligence, scientific simulations, and data analysis. With ROCm, developers can take full advantage of AMD's GPU capabilities and achieve faster time-to-market and better performance for their applications."},"finish reason":"stop"}],"usage": {"prompt_tokens":42,"total_tokens":237,"completion_tokens":195}}

Part 1.1. - Let's start by showcasing how you can run the Llama 2 70B Chat Model on one AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerator on the PowerEdge XE9680 server. Previously we would use two cutting edge GPUs to complete this task.

Running Gradio Chatbot with Llama 2 70B Chat Model



This Gradio chatbot works by sending the user input query received through the user interface to the Llama 2 70B Chat Model being served using vLLM. The vLLM server is compatible with the OpenAI Chat API hence the request is sent in the OpenAI Chat API compatible format. The model generates the response based on the request which is sent back to the client. This response is displayed on the Gradio chatbot user interface.

Deploying Gradio Chatbot

- 1. If not already done, follow the instructions in the Setup Steps section to install the AMD ROCm driver, libraries, and tools, clone the vLLM repository, build and start the vLLM ROCm Docker container, and request access to the Llama 2 Models from Meta.
- 2. Install the prerequisites for running the chatbot.

```
pip3 install -U pip
pip3 install openai==1.13.3 gradio==4.20.1
```

3. Log in to the Hugging Face CLI and enter your HuggingFace access token when prompted:

huggingface-cli login

4. Start the vLLM server for Llama 2 70B Chat model with data type FP16 on one AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerator.

```
python3 -m vllm.entrypoints.openai.api_server --model meta-
llama/Llama-2-70b-chat-hf --dtype float16
```

5. Run the gradio_openai_chatbot_webserver.py from the /app/vllm/examples directory within the container with the default configurations.

```
cd /app/vllm/examples
python3 gradio_openai_chatbot_webserver.py --model meta-llama/Llama-
2-70b-chat-hf
```

The Gradio chatbot will be running on the port 8001 and can be accessed using the URL <u>http://localhost:8001</u>. The query passed to the chatbot is "How does AMD ROCm contribute to enhancing the performance and efficiency of enterprise AI workflows?" The output conversation with the chatbot is shown below:

Chatbot		
How does AMD ROCm contribute to enhancing the pe	erformance and efficiency of enterprise AI workflows?	
AMD ROCm (Radeon Open Compute Platform) is a softw power of AMD GPUs. ROCm provides a set of tools and I efficiency of their AI applications.	vare platform designed to enhance the performance and effici ibraries that enable developers to easily integrate AI workload	ency of enterprise AI workflows by leveraging the s onto AMD GPUs, improving the performance and
Here are some ways in which AMD ROCm contributes to 1. GPU Acceleration: ROCm allows developers to offlor making them ideal for Al workloads. By leveraging performance gains.	enhancing the performance and efficiency of enterprise AI wo bad compute-intensive AI workloads to AMD GPUs, which are d the massively parallel architecture of GPUs, ROCm enables fas	orkflows: lesigned to handle large amounts of data in parallel, ter processing of Al workloads, resulting in significant
2. Optimized Memory Access: ROCm optimizes memory latency. This results in improved performance and	ory access patterns for AI workloads, minimizing data transfer l reduced power consumption, making it ideal for data-intensiv	between the GPU and CPU, and reducing memory e Al applications.
 Scalability: ROCm allows developers to scale their This enables enterprises to train larger models, pro Elevibility: ROCm supports a variety of popular Al f 	Al applications across multiple GPUs, providing the necessary ocess larger datasets, and perform more complex Al tasks.	resources to handle large and complex Al workloads.
of choice and easily integrate ROCm into their exis 5. Ease of Use: ROCm provides a set of tools and libra	ries that simplify the development process, making it easier fo	or developers to integrate AI workloads onto AMD
GPUs. This reduces the time and effort required to 6. HPC Support: ROCm is designed to work seamless acceleration for HPC workloads. This allows enterp efficiency.	develop and deploy AI applications, allowing enterprises to qu ly with AMD's high-performance computing (HPC) solutions, en vrises to perform complex simulations, data analysis, and mac	vickly adopt and deploy AI solutions. nabling enterprises to leverage the power of GPU hine learning tasks with improved performance and
Security: ROCm provides advanced security feature throughout the AI workflow. This is particularly im	es, including secure boot, secure memory, and secure data tra portant for enterprises in highly regulated industries, such as f	nsfer, ensuring that sensitive data is protected inance, healthcare, and government.
In summary, AMD ROCm enhances the performance and optimizes memory access, scales across multiple GPUs, features.	d efficiency of enterprise AI workflows by providing a software supports a variety of frameworks and libraries, and provides o	platform that leverages the power of AMD GPUs, ease of use, HPC support, and advanced security
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	Use via API 🎽 🔸 Built with Gradio 😂	

6. To observe the GPU utilization, use the rocm-smi command as shown below.

ROCm System Management Interface													
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Θ	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	43.0°C	444.0W	NPS1, SPX	1665Mhz	None	0%	auto	750.0W	91%	100%		
1	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	38.0°C	143.0W	NPS1, SPX	132Mhz	900Mhz	Θ%	auto	750.0W	0%	0%		
2	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	38.0°C	149.0W	NPS1, SPX	132Mhz	900Mhz	Θ%	auto	750.0W	0%	0%		
3	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	37.0°C	140.0W	NPS1, SPX	131Mhz	900Mhz	0%	auto	750.0W	0%	0%		
4	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	36.0°C	138.0W	NPS1, SPX	131Mhz	900Mhz	Θ%	auto	750.0W	0%	0%		
5	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	34.0°C	134.0W	NPS1, SPX	131Mhz	900Mhz	Θ%	auto	750.0W	0%	0%		
6	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	36.0°C	144.0W	NPS1, SPX	131Mhz	900Mhz	0%	auto	750.0W	9%	0%		
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7. Use the command below to access various vLLM serving metrics through the /metrics endpoint.

curl http://127.0.0.1:8000/metrics

The output should look as follows.

```
# HELP exceptions total counter Total number of requested which
generated an exception
# TYPE exceptions total counter counter
# HELP requests total counter Total number of requests received
# TYPE requests total counter counter
requests total counter{method="POST",path="/v1/chat/completions"} 1
# HELP responses total counter Total number of responses sent
# TYPE responses_total_counter counter
responses total counter{method="POST",path="/v1/chat/completions"} 1
# HELP status codes counter Total number of response status codes
# TYPE status codes counter counter
status codes counter{method="POST",path="/v1/chat/completions",status co
de="200"} 1
# HELP vllm:avg generation throughput toks per s Average generation
throughput in tokens/s.
# TYPE vllm:avg generation throughput toks per s gauge
vllm:avg_generation_throughput_toks_per_s{model_name="meta-llama/Llama-
2-70b-chat-hf" } 4.222076684555402
# HELP vllm:avg_prompt_throughput_toks_per_s Average prefill throughput
in tokens/s.
# TYPE vllm:avg_prompt_throughput_toks_per_s gauge
vllm:avg_prompt_throughput_toks_per_s{model_name="meta-llama/Llama-2-
70b-chat-hf"} 0.0
• • •
# HELP vllm:prompt_tokens_total Number of prefill tokens processed.
# TYPE vllm:prompt_tokens_total counter
vllm:prompt tokens total{model name="meta-llama/Llama-2-70b-chat-hf"} 44
. . .
vllm:time per output token seconds count{model name="meta-llama/Llama-2-
70b-chat-hf"} 136.0
vllm:time_per_output_token_seconds_sum{model_name="meta-llama/Llama-2-
70b-chat-hf"} 32.18783768080175
vllm:time to first token seconds count{model name="meta-llama/Llama-2-
70b-chat-hf"} 1.0
vllm:time_to_first_token_seconds_sum{model_name="meta-llama/Llama-2-70b-
chat-hf" } 0.2660619909875095
```

Part 2: Now that we have deployed the Llama 2 70B Chat Model on a single GPU, let's take full advantage of the Dell PowerEdge XE9680 server and deploy eight concurrent instances of the Llama 2 70B Chat Model with FP16 precision. To handle more simultaneous users and generate higher throughput, the 8x AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerators can be leveraged to deploy 8 vLLM serving deployments in parallel.

INFERENCE

On Dell PowerEdge[™] XE9680 Server with 8x AMD[®] Instinct[™] MI300X Accelerators



Serving Llama 2 70B Chat model with FP16 precision using vLLM 0.3.2 on 8x AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerators with the PowerEdge XE9680 Server.

To enable the multi GPU vLLM deployment, we use a Kubernetes based stack. The stack consists of a Kubernetes Deployment with 8 vLLM serving replicas and a Kubernetes Service to expose all vLLM serving replicas through a single endpoint. The Kubernetes Service utilizes a round robin based strategy to distribute the requests across the vLLM serving replicas.

Prerequisites

- 1. Any <u>Kubernetes distribution</u> on the server.
- 2. <u>AMD GPU device plugins for Kubernetes</u> setup on the installed Kubernetes distribution.
- 3. A <u>Kubernetes secret</u> that grants access to the container registry, facilitating Kubernetes deployment.

Deploying the multivLLM serving on 8x AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerators.

1. If not already done, follow the instructions in the Setup Steps section to install the AMD ROCm driver, libraries, and tools, clone the vLLM repository, build the vLLM ROCm Docker container, and request access to the Llama 2 Models from Meta. Push the built vllm-rocm:latest image to the container registry of your choice.

2. Create a deployment yaml file "multi-vllm.yaml" based on the sample provided below.

```
# vllm deployment
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: vllm-serving
  namespace: default
  labels:
    app: vllm-serving
spec:
  selector:
    matchLabels:
      app: vllm-serving
  replicas: 8
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        app: vllm-serving
    spec:
      containers:
      - name: vllm
        image: container-registry/vllm-rocm:latest # update the
container registry name
        args: [
            "python3", "-m", "vllm.entrypoints.openai.api_server",
            "--model", "meta-llama/Llama-2-70b-chat-hf"
```

```
env:
          - name: HUGGING FACE HUB TOKEN
            value: "" # add your huggingface token with Llama 2
models access
        resources:
          requests:
            cpu: 15
            memory: 150G
            amd.com/gpu: 1 # each replica is allocated 1 GPU
          limits:
            cpu: 15
            memory: 150G
            amd.com/gpu: 1
      imagePullSecrets:
        - name: cr-login # kubernetes container registry secret
# nodeport service with round robin load balancing
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: vllm-serving-service
  namespace: default
spec:
  selector:
    app: vllm-serving
  type: NodePort
  ports:
  - name: vllm-endpoint
    port: 8000
    targetPort: 8000
    nodePort: 30800 # the external port endpoint to access the
serving
```

3.Deploy the multi vLLM serving using the deployment configuration with kubectl. This will deploy eight replicas of vLLM serving using the Llama 2 70B Chat model with FP16 precision.

kubectl apply -f multi-vllm.yaml

4. Execute the following curl request to verify whether the model is being successfully served at the chat completion endpoint at port 30800.

```
curl http://localhost:30800/v1/chat/completions \
    -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
    -d '{
        "model": "meta-llama/Llama-2-70b-chat-hf",
        "max_tokens":256,
        "temperature":1.0,
            "messages": [
                {"role": "system", "content": "You are a helpful
assistant."},
            {"role": "user", "content": "Describe AMD ROCm in 180
words."}
        ]
        }'
```

The response should look as follows:

```
{"id":"cmpl-
```

```
42f932f6081e45fa8ce7dnjmcf769ab", "object": "chat.completion", "created
":1150766, "model": "meta-llama/Llama-2-70b-chat-hf", "choices":
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applications."},"finish reason":"stop"}],"usage":
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```

5. We used load testing tools similar to <u>Apache Bench</u> to simulate concurrent user requests to the serving endpoint. The screenshot below showcases the output of rocm-smi while Apache Bench is running 2048 concurrent requests.

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1	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	45.0°C	447.0W	NPS1,	SPX	1574Mhz	None	θ%	auto	750.0W	91%	99%
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5	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	42.0°C	435.0W	NPS1,	SPX	1616Mhz	None	Θ%	auto	750.0W	91%	100%
6	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	45.0°C	444.0W	NPS1,	SPX	1513Mhz	None	θ%	auto	750.0W	91%	96%
7	[0x74al : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	45.0°C	454.0W	NPS1,	SPX	1562Mhz	None	θ%	auto	750.0W	91%	100%

Part 3: Now that we have deployed the Llama 2 70B Chat model on both one GPU and eight concurrent GPUs, let's try fine-tuning Llama 2 70B Chat with Hugging Face Accelerate.

FINE-TUNING

On Dell PowerEdge[™] XE9680 Server with 8x AMD[®] Instinct[™] MI300X Accelerators







As shown above, the fine-tuning software stack begins with the AMD ROCm PyTorch image serving as the base, offering a tailored PyTorch library for optimal fine-tuning. Leveraging the Hugging Face Transformers library alongside Hugging Face Accelerate, facilitates multi-GPU fine-tuning capabilities. The Llama 2 70B Chat model will be fine-tuned with FP16 precision, utilizing the Guanaco-1k dataset from Hugging Face on eight AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerators.

In this scenario, we will perform full parameter fine-tuning of the Llama 2 70B Chat Model. While you can also implement fine-tuning using optimized techniques such as Low-Rank Adaptation of Large Language Models (LoRA) on accelerators with smaller memory footprints, performance tradeoffs exist on specific complex objectives. These nuances are addressed by full parameter fine-tuning methods, which generally require accelerators that support significant memory requirements.

Fine-tuning Llama 2 70B Chat on 8x AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerators.

Fine-tune the Llama 2 70B Chat Model with FP16 precision for question and answer tasks by utilizing the <u>mlabonne/guanaco-llama2-1k</u> dataset on the 8X AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerators.

1. If not already done, install the AMD ROCm driver, libraries, and tools and request access to the Llama 2 Models from Meta following the instructions in the Setup Steps section.

2. Start the fine-tuning docker container with the AMD ROCm PyTorch base image.

The below command opens a shell within the docker container.

```
sudo docker run -it \
--name fine-tuning \
--network=host \
--device=/dev/kfd \
--device=/dev/dri \
--shm-size 16G \
--group-add=video \
--workdir=/ \
rocm/pytorch:rocm6.0.2_ubuntu22.04_py3.10_pytorch_2.1.2 bash
```

3. Install the necessary Python prerequisites.

```
pip3 install -U pip
pip3 install transformers==4.38.2 trl==0.7.11 datasets==2.18.0
```

4. Log in to Hugging Face CLI and enter your HuggingFace access token when prompted.

huggingface-cli login

5. Import the required Python packages.

```
from datasets import load_dataset
from transformers import (
    AutoModelForCausalLM,
    AutoTokenizer,
    TrainingArguments,
    pipeline
)
from trl import SFTTrainer
```

6. Load the Llama 2 70B Chat Model and the mlabonne/guanaco-llama2-1k dataset from Hugging Face.

```
# load the model and tokenizer
base model name = "meta-llama/Llama-2-70b-chat-hf"
# tokenizer parameters
llama tokenizer = AutoTokenizer.from pretrained(base model name,
trust remote code=True)
llama tokenizer.pad token = llama tokenizer.eos token
llama tokenizer.padding side = "right"
# load the based model
base model = AutoModelForCausalLM.from pretrained(
    base model name,
    device map="auto",
base model.config.use cache = False
base model.config.pretraining tp = 1
# load the dataset from huggingface
dataset name = "mlabonne/guanaco-llama2-1k"
training data = load dataset(dataset name, split="train")
```

7. Define fine-tuning configurations and start fine-tuning for 1 epoch. The fine tuned model will be saved in finetuned_llama2_70b directory.

```
# fine tuning parameters
train_params = TrainingArguments(
    output_dir="./runs",
    num_train_epochs=1, # fine tuning for 1 epochs
    per_device_train_batch_size=8 # setting per GPU batch size
)
```

```
# define the trainer
fine_tuning = SFTTrainer(
  model=base_model,
  train_dataset=training_data,
  dataset_text_field="text",
  tokenizer=llama_tokenizer,
  args=train_params,
  max_seq_length=512
```

)

start the fine tuning run
fine_tuning.train()

save the fine tuned model
fine_tuning.model.save_pretrained("finetuned_llama2_70b")
print("Fine-tuning completed")

8. Use the `rocm-smi` command to observe GPU utilization while fine-tuning.

Device	[Hodel : Revision] Name (20 chars)	Temp (Junction)	Power (Socket)	Partitions (Mem, Compute)	SCLK	MCLK	Fan	Perf	PwrCap	VRAM	GPU%	
0	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	47.0°C	268.0W	NPS1, SPX	2100Mhz	None	6%	auto	750.0W	42*	100%	
1	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	48.0°C	254.0 W	NPS1, SPX	2108Mhz	None	01	auto	750.0W	51%	100%	
2	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	49.0°C	257.0W	NPS1, SPX	2104Mhz	None	0%	auto	750.0W	51%	100%	
3	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	49.0°C	255.0W	NPS1, SPX	2100Mhz	None	0%	auto	750.0W	51	100%	
4	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	46.0°C	256.0W	NPS1, SPX	2079Hhz	1300Mhz	0%	auto	750.0W	51%	100%	
5	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	44.0°C	626.0W	NPS1, SPX	1312 H hz	1300Mhz	0%	auto	750.0W	51	100%	
6	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	39.0°C	244.0W	NPS1, SPX	2100Mhz	None	6%	auto	750.0W	51%	100%	
7	[0x74a1 : 0x00] AMD Instinct MI300X	38.0°C	238.0 W	NPS1, SPX	2100Mhz	None	0%	auto	750.0W	60%	100%	

Summary



Dell PowerEdge XE9680 Server equipped with AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerators offers enterprises industry leading infrastructure to create custom AI solutions using their proprietary data. In this blog, we showcased how enterprises deploying applied AI can take advantage of this solution in three critical use cases:

- Deploying the entire 70B parameter model on a single AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerator in Dell PowerEdge XE9680 Server
- Deploying eight concurrent instances of the model, each running on one of eight AMD Instinct MI300X accelerators on the Dell PowerEdge XE9680 Server
- Fine-tuning the 70B parameter model with FP16 precision on one PowerEdge XE9680 with all eight AMD Instinct MI300X accelerators

Metrum AI is excited to see continued advancements from Dell, AMD, and Hugging Face on hardware and software optimizations in the future.

Additional Criteria for IT Decision Makers

What is fine-tuning, and why is it critical for enterprises?

Fine-tuning enables enterprises to develop custom models with their proprietary data by leveraging the knowledge already encoded in pre-trained models. As a result, finetuning requires less labeled data and time for training compared to training a model from scratch, making it a more efficient approach for achieving competitive performance, particularly in the quantity of computational resources used and training time.

Why is memory footprint critical for LLMs?

Large language models often have enormous numbers of parameters, leading to significant memory requirements. When working with LLMs, it is essential to ensure that the GPU has sufficient memory to store these parameters so that the model can run efficiently. In addition to model parameters, large language models require substantial memory to store input data, intermediate activations, and gradients during training or inference, and insufficient memory can lead to data loss or performance degradation.

Why is the Dell PowerEdge XE9680 Server with AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerators well-suited for LLMs?

Designed especially for AI tasks, Dell PowerEdge XE9680 Server is a robust dataprocessing server equipped with eight AMD Instinct MI300X accelerators, making it well-suited for AI-workloads, especially for those involving training, fine-tuning, and conducting inference with LLMs. AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerator is a highperformance AI accelerator intended to operate in groups of eight within AMD's generative AI platform.

Running inference, specifically with a Large Language Model (LLM), requires approximately 1.2 times the memory occupied by the model on a GPU. In FP16 precision, the model memory requirement can be estimated as 2 bytes per parameter multiplied by the number of model parameters. For example, the Llama 2 70B model with FP16 precision requires a minimum of 168 GB of GPU memory to run inference. With 192 GB of GPU memory, a single AMD Instinct MI300X Accelerator can host an

entire Llama 2 70B parameter model for inference. It is optimized for LLMs and can deliver up to 10.4 Petaflops of performance (BF16/FP16) with 1.5TB of total HBM3 memory for a group of eight accelerators.

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