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Preface

Welcome to the Machine Learning Manual for Bright Cluster Manager 9.0.

0.1 About This Manual

This manual is aimed at helping cluster administrators install, understand, configure, and manage basic machine learning capabilities easily using Bright Cluster Manager. The administrator is expected to be reasonably familiar with the Administrator Manual.

0.2 About The Manuals In General

Regularly updated versions of the Bright Cluster Manager 9.0 manuals are available on updated clusters by default at /cm/shared/docs/cm. The latest updates are always online at http://support.brightcomputing.com/manuals.

- The Installation Manual describes installation procedures for a basic cluster.
- The Administrator Manual describes the general management of the cluster.
- The User Manual describes the user environment and how to submit jobs for the end user.
- The Cloudbursting Manual describes how to deploy the cloud capabilities of the cluster.
- The Developer Manual has useful information for developers who would like to program with Bright Cluster Manager.
- The OpenStack Deployment Manual describes how to deploy OpenStack with Bright Cluster Manager.
- The Edge Manual describes how to deploy Bright Edge with Bright Cluster Manager.

If the manuals are downloaded and kept in one local directory, then in most pdf viewers, clicking on a cross-reference in one manual that refers to a section in another manual opens and displays that section in the second manual. Navigating back and forth between documents is usually possible with keystrokes or mouse clicks.

For example: <Alt>-<Backarrow> in Acrobat Reader, or clicking on the bottom leftmost navigation button of xpdf, both navigate back to the previous document.

The manuals constantly evolve to keep up with the development of the Bright Cluster Manager environment and the addition of new hardware and/or applications. The manuals also regularly incorporate customer feedback. Administrator and user input is greatly valued at Bright Computing. So any comments, suggestions or corrections will be very gratefully accepted at manuals@brightcomputing.com.

There is also a feedback form available via Bright View, via the Account icon, following the clickpath:
  Account → Help → Feedback
0.3 Getting Administrator-Level Support

If the reseller from whom Bright Cluster Manager was bought offers direct support, then the reseller should be contacted.

Otherwise the primary means of support is via the website https://support.brightcomputing.com. This allows the administrator to submit a support request via a web form, and opens up a trouble ticket. It is a good idea to try to use a clear subject header, since that is used as part of a reference tag as the ticket progresses. Also helpful is a good description of the issue. The followup communication for this ticket goes via standard e-mail. Section 13.2 of the Administrator Manual has more details on working with support.

0.4 Getting Professional Services

Bright Computing normally differentiates between professional services (customer asks Bright Computing to do something or asks Bright Computing to provide some service) and support (customer has a question or problem that requires an answer or resolution). Professional services can be provided after consulting with the reseller, or the Bright account manager.
Introduction And Machine Learning Packages Installation

1.1 Introduction

From Bright Cluster Manager version 7.3 onward, a number of machine learning and deep learning library and framework packages can be used. The packages provided make it faster and easier for organizations to install the latest state-of-the-art libraries, and gain insights from rich, complex data.

1.1.1 Bright Cluster Manager Versions—Associated Repositories And Support For Machine Learning Packages

- In Bright Cluster Manager versions 7.3 and 8.0 the machine learning and deep learning packages are experimentally accessible to a cluster from the standard Bright cm repository. However, from Bright Cluster Manager version 8.1 onward, these packages are distributed via a separate Bright cm-ml repository.

- In Bright Cluster Manager versions 8.1 and 8.2, cluster administrators have to activate the Data Science Add-on using the online wizard at:


  The add-on enables the dedicated Bright cm-ml repository.

- From Bright Cluster Manager version 9.0 onward the activation step via a wizard is not needed—the repository is automatically available and enabled.

Only if the cluster is licensed for the Data Science Add-on package does Bright provide support for the integration of packages distributed in the dedicated repository with Bright Cluster Manager.

For convenience, a summary of the Bright for Data Science (B4DS) repository configuration requirements is shown in table 1.1:
Table 1.1: Bright Cluster Manager offering overview for Machine Learning packages

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<th>Repository configuration</th>
<th>Support</th>
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<td>Automatically available and enabled</td>
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* Activation is via http://licensing.brightcomputing.com/licensing/activate-data-science/

An administrator who is upgrading a cluster that has machine learning and deep learning packages installed on it should always make sure that the dedicated Bright cm-ml repository is accessible, if required by the new Bright Cluster Manager version.

1.1.2 Bright Cluster Manager Versions—Supported Distributions And Architecture For Machine Learning Packages

At the time of writing, March 2021, a number of different Linux distribution versions and architectures are supported, depending on the Bright Cluster Manager version. For convenience, a support matrix for this is shown in table 1.2:

Table 1.2: Supported Linux distributions and architectures for Bright Machine Learning packages

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<td>CentOS 7, RHEL 7, SLES 12</td>
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<td>8.2</td>
<td>x86_64</td>
<td>CentOS 7, RHEL 7, SLES 12, Ubuntu 18.04</td>
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<td>9.0</td>
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An updated list of the supported Linux distributions and architectures available for the various Bright Cluster Manager versions can be found at https://support.brightcomputing.com/feature-matrix/, in the section of the Feature column dedicated to machine learning.

1.2 Available Packages

An updated list of the machine learning packages available for the various Bright Cluster Manager versions can be found at https://support.brightcomputing.com/packages-dashboard/. Most of the machine learning packages are to be found within the ml group. However, some of them are found within the cm group for legacy reasons.

At the time of writing, March 2021, the following packages were available:
### Table 1.3: Machine Learning packages provided by the Bright Cluster Manager repositories

<table>
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<tr>
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<tr>
<td>cm-bazel (D)</td>
<td>An open-source build and test tool similar to Make, Maven, and Gradle. It uses a human-readable, high-level build language. Bazel supports projects in multiple languages and builds outputs for multiple platforms.</td>
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<tr>
<td>cm-chainer-py36-cuda10.1-gcc (D)</td>
<td>A flexible framework for neural networks, designed to write complex architectures simply and intuitively.</td>
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<td>cm-chainer-py37-cuda11.2-gcc8 (C7, C8, R7, R8, S5, U8)</td>
<td>A flexible framework for neural networks, designed to write complex architectures simply and intuitively.</td>
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<tr>
<td>cm-cub-cuda10.1 (D)</td>
<td>A flexible library of cooperative threadblock primitives and other utilities for CUDA kernel programming.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>cm-cub-cuda10.2</td>
<td>A flexible library of cooperative threadblock primitives and other utilities for CUDA kernel programming.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>cm-cub-cuda11.2 (C7, C8, R7, R8, S5, U8)</td>
<td>A flexible library of cooperative threadblock primitives and other utilities for CUDA kernel programming.</td>
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<tr>
<td>cm-dynet-py36-cuda10.1-gcc (D)</td>
<td>A neural network library developed by Carnegie Mellon University and many others. It is written in C++ (with bindings in Python) and is designed to be efficient when run on either CPU or GPU, and to work well with networks that have dynamic structures that change for every training instance.</td>
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<td>cm-fastai-py36-cuda10.1-gcc (D)</td>
<td>A library that simplifies training fast and accurate neural nets using modern best practices.</td>
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<td>cm-ml-pythondeps-py36-cuda10.1-gcc (D)</td>
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<td>cm-opencv4-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8 (C7, C8, R7, R8, S5, U8)</td>
<td>An open-source BSD-licensed library that includes several hundreds of computer vision algorithms.</td>
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<tr>
<td>cm-protobuf3-gcc (D)</td>
<td>Version 3 of Protocol Buffers, a language-neutral, platform-neutral extensible mechanism for serializing structured data.</td>
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Legend:

- D: Deprecated
- C7: CentOS 7
- C8: CentOS 8
- R7: RHEL 7
- R8: RHEL 8
- S2: SLES 12
- S5: SLES 15
- U8: Ubuntu 18.04

Package are available for every distribution unless otherwise tagged.

Examples:

- cm-bazel is available for every distribution.
- cm-chainer-py37-cuda10.1-gcc (R7) is only available for RHEL7.

1.2.1 Considerations

There are some considerations that the cluster administrator should be aware of with the packages.

- Some packages may be labelled in the table 1.3 as deprecated. “Deprecated” in the software industry is not a well-defined term. Here it is used by Bright Computing to mean a package that may no longer be offered in a future release, or for which a newer existing version is preferred.

- Several different packages may be provided for the same machine learning library or framework. For example, TensorFlow may be provided by:

  - cm-tensorflow-py36-cuda10.1-gcc
  - cm-tensorflow-py37-mkl-gcc8

As is the norm with other package management systems in the software industry, the name given to a Bright Computing package includes the most relevant dependencies required to build and use it. The dependencies commonly highlighted in this manner are:

- Python interpreter version used (e.g. *-py36* and *-py37*)
1.3 Requirements

The following requirements must be met before installing the preceding machine learning packages.

- **RHEL users must have access to the YUM repositories and EPEL repository.**

- There must be enough free space for the packages that are installed on the head node and compute nodes. The actual amount depends on the packages installed.

- **8 GB of RAM on the nodes is the minimum recommended amount.**

- In order to use packages built with the CUDA toolkit accelerator library version 10.2 and below (e.g. *-cuda10.2*), the NVIDIA GPUs must be Maxwell or more recent, with compute capability 3.5 or later. CUDA compute capability 6.0 or later is recommended.

- In order to use packages built with the CUDA toolkit accelerator library version 11.0 and above (e.g. *-cuda11.2*), the NVIDIA GPUs must be Maxwell or more recent, with compute capability 5.2 or later. CUDA compute capability 6.0 or later is recommended.

- In order to use packages built using CUDA as the accelerator (i.e. *-cuda*), the CPU must support the AVX/AVX2, FMA, and SSE4.2 instructions. This can be checked by inspecting the CPU flags:
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Example

```
[root@node ~]# egrep -m1 -o '(avx|avx2|fma|sse4_2)' /proc/cpuinfo
fma
sse4_2
avx
avx2
```

• In order to use packages built using MKL as the accelerator (i.e. *-mkl), the CPU must support the AVX-512 Vector Neural Network Instructions (VNNI). Examples of such CPUs are Intel Xeon Scalable processors with Deep Learning Boost.

1.4 Machine Learning Packages Installation

Head Node Installation

Bright Cluster Manager machine learning packages are installed in the /cm/shared directory, which is by default exported over NFS. Packages installed on the head node are therefore also available to all the compute nodes by default.

The .rpm and .deb files have proper dependencies defined. This means that the cluster administrator does not need to spend time figuring out what needs to be installed to set up a working environment. Whenever a package is installed or updated, the required dependencies will be also automatically fetched, if necessary. As a result, packages can be installed with the usual package manager that is provided by the Linux distribution in the usual way (page 443 of the Administrator Manual).

For example, the administrator can install cm-pytorch-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8 as follows:

Example

```
[root@bright90 ~]# yum install cm-pytorch-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8 #on RHEL 7
[root@bright90 ~]# zypper install cm-pytorch-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8 #on SLES 15
[root@bright90 ~]# apt-get install cm-pytorch-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8 #on Ubuntu 18.04
```

The package managers also automatically install the corresponding dependencies, such as

• cm-ml-distdeps-cuda10.2
• cm-ml-pythondeeps-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8
• cm-protobuf3-gcc8
• cuda10.2-toolkit
• cm-cudnn7.6-cuda10.2
• cm-nccl2-cuda10.2-gcc8

Machine learning packages share several dependencies, usually providing useful Python or system libraries. For convenience, these dependencies are grouped in the cm-ml-pythondeeps-* and cm-ml-distdeps-* meta-packages.

• cm-ml-pythondeeps-*: This meta-package provides the application libraries such as numba, numpy, scikit-learn, and scipy.
  - If RHEL8 is being run, and cm-ml-pythondeeps-py37-cuda11.2-gcc8 is being installed, then the codeready-builder-for-rhel-8-x86_64-rpms repository needs to be enabled. For example using:
    subscription-manager repos --enable=codeready-builder-for-rhel-8-x86_64-rpms
• \texttt{cm-ml-distdeps-\*}: This meta-package, on the other hand, provides development libraries such as \texttt{blas-devel}, \texttt{libjpeg-devel} and \texttt{libpng-devel}, and the utility library \texttt{gnuplot}.

The appropriate meta-packages are automatically installed whenever a package installation requires it.

Administrators only need to make sure that their clusters meet the preceding hardware requirements listed at the start of section 1.3. If that is not done, then unexpected failures may occur during run time, such as segmentation faults.

Examples of common mistakes are

• using packages requiring CUDA (e.g. \texttt{cm-pytorch-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8}) on clusters without GPUs

• using packages requiring VNNI (e.g. \texttt{cm-tensorflow-py37-mkl-gcc8}) on CPUs not supporting the instruction set

**Compute Nodes Installation**

The \texttt{cm-ml-distdeps-\*} meta-packages must be also installed onto all compute nodes that are to run machine learning applications.

For example, if the name of the software image is \texttt{gpu-image}, then the administrator can install \texttt{cm-ml-distdeps-cuda10.2} on RHEL 7 as follows:

**Example**

\[ \texttt{[root@bright90 ~]# yum install --installroot=/cm/images/gpu-image cm-ml-distdeps-cuda10.2} \]

The preceding command must be applied to all software images that are used to run machine learning applications.

There are equivalents to the \texttt{--installroot} option of \texttt{yum} for the other distribution package managers.

For SLES the installation command equivalent is:

\[ \texttt{[root@bright90 ~]# zypper --root /cm/images/gpu-image install cm-ml-distdeps-cuda10.2} \]

For Ubuntu the installation command equivalent is:

\[ \texttt{[root@bright90 ~]# cm-chroot-sw-img /cm/images/gpu-image \texttt{[root@bright90 ~]# apt install cm-ml-distdeps-cuda10.2 \texttt{[root@bright90 ~]# exit \# get out of chroot}}}} \]

Details on using \texttt{zypper} and \texttt{apt} commands for installation to software images are given on page 443 of the Administrator Manual.

The preceding command must be applied to all software images that are used to run machine learning applications.

**No automatic install of cuda-driver and cuda-dcgm since cm-ml-distdeps-cuda-\* v3.0.0:** The \texttt{cuda-driver} and \texttt{cuda-dcgm} packages used to be automatically installed during installation of earlier versions of the \texttt{cm-ml-distdeps-cuda-\*} meta-package. This behavior has changed.

Version 3.0.0 onward of the package requires a manual install of the \texttt{cuda-driver} and \texttt{cuda-dcgm} packages. Installation of the \texttt{cuda-driver} and \texttt{cuda-dcgm} packages is covered in section 7.4.1 of the Installation Manual.

The version number of the available or installed \texttt{cm-ml-distdeps-cuda\*} package can be found with \texttt{yum info}:

**Example**
The manual installation of the cuda-driver and cuda-dcgm packages allows a wider range of NVIDIA drivers and cluster configurations to be installed. Version 3.0.0 onward now allows the administrator to install custom NVIDIA drivers, for example for special hardware such as DGX machines. It also allows the administrator to install different versions of NVIDIA drivers for different groups of compute nodes.

Just as for the cm-ml-distdeps-* meta-packages, the custom NVIDIA drivers must be installed onto all the compute nodes that are to run machine learning applications.

1.4.1 Module Loading

Bright Cluster Manager provides environment module definitions for all the machine learning packages. The environment module files are also compatible with the Lmod software introduced in Bright Cluster Manager 7.3. They can be listed once the shared module is loaded, if it has not already been loaded:

```
[root@bright90 ~]# module purge; module available
```

```
---------------------------------- /cm/local/modulefiles ----------------------------------
boost/1.71.0 cmake-gcc8/3.18.4 dot luajit python33
ccluster-tools/9.0 cmd freeipmi/1.6.4 module-git python37
cm-image/9.0 cmjob gcc/9.2.0 module-info shared
cm-scale/cm-scale.module cmas ipmitool/1.8.18 null
cm-setup/9.0 cuda-dcgm/2.0.15.1 lua/5.3.5 openldap
[root@bright90 ~]# module load shared; module available
```

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blacs/openmpi/gcc/64/1.1patch03 hwloc/1.11.11
blas/gcc/64/3.8.0 intel-tbb-oss/ia32/2020.3
bonnie++/1.198 intel-tbb-oss/intel64/2020.3
cm-pmix3/3.1.4 iozone/3.487
cuda10.2/blas/10.2.89 lapack/gcc/64/3.8.0
cuda10.2/fft/10.2.89 ml-pythondeps-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8/4.4.2
cuda10.2/toolkit/10.2.89 mpich/ge/gcc/64/3.3.2
Cudnn7.6-cuda10.2/7.6.5.32 mvapich2/gcc/64/2.3.2
default-environment ncc12-cuda10.2-gcc8/2.8.4
fftw2/openmpi/gcc/64/double/2.1.5 netcdf/gcc/64/gcc/64/4.7.3
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gcc8/8.4.0 openblas/dynamic/0.3.7
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hdf5/1.10.1 scalapack/openmpi/gcc/2.1.0
hdf5_18/1.8.21 tensorflow2-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8/2.4.1
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```

For example, after having installed the cm-tensorflow2-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8 package, the associated TensorFlow module can be loaded with:

```
```
1.5 Machine Learning Packages Removal

Machine learning packages can be removed in the usual way with the package manager commands used by the Linux distribution. For example, the administrator can remove the cm-pytorch-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8 package with:

Example

[root@bright90 ~]# yum remove cm-pytorch-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8  #on RHEL 7

or

[root@bright90 ~]# zypper remove cm-pytorch-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8  #on SLES 15

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[root@bright90 ~]# apt-get remove cm-pytorch-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8  #on Ubuntu 18.04

Bright Cluster Manager machine learning packages are installed in the /cm/shared directory, which is by default exported over NFS. Packages removed from the head node are therefore also removed from all the compute nodes by default.

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The cm-ml-distdeps-* meta-packages must be also removed from all compute nodes that are to run machine learning applications. For example, if the name of the software image is gpu-image, then the images directory is /cm/images/gpu-image, and then the administrator can remove cm-ml-distdeps-cuda10.2 from the image as follows in RHEL 7:

**Example**

```
[root@bright90 ~]# yum remove --installroot=/cm/images/gpu-image cm-ml-distdeps-cuda10.2
```

The preceding command must be applied to all software images that are used to run the machine learning applications.

The equivalents to the --installroot option of yum for the other distribution package managers are described in section 1.4.
Running TensorFlow

This chapter goes through some example runs with TensorFlow. Some output messages have been removed or simplified in the runs for readability.

The sample runs assume that TensorFlow and its extra libraries have been installed from the Bright Cluster Manager repository with a package manager. For example with

```
yum install cm-tensorflow2-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8 cm-tensorflow2-extra-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8
```

In addition to requiring the extra libraries, TensorFlow requires an OpenMPI implementation to work. Chapter 3 of the User Manual describes the different OpenMPI packages that the Bright repositories provide. The different OpenMPI packages allow the user to choose which one to use. For example, depending on which interconnect is being used, or depending on if CUDA support is required.

In this chapter, the cm-openmpi4-cuda10.2-ofed50-gcc8 package is used.

More information on the examples can be found at https://github.com/tensorflow/examples.

2.1 Hello World

A “Hello World” interactive example that just shows that the software is in place for TensorFlow can be run as follows:

```
Example

[root@bright90 ~]# module load shared
[root@bright90 ~]# module load tensorflow2-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8
[root@bright90 ~]# module load openmpi4-cuda10.2-ofed50-gcc8
[root@bright90 ~]# python3.7
Python 3.7.9 (default, Mar 1 2021, 14:10:18)
[GCC 10.2.0] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> import tensorflow as tf
< I <> Successfully opened dynamic library libcudart.so.10.2

>>> hello = tf.constant('TensorFlow 2 Hello World')
< I <> Successfully opened dynamic library libcudart.so.1
< I <> Found device 0 with properties:
    pciBusID: 0000:00:08.0 name: Tesla P100-PCIE-16GB computeCapability: 6.0
coreClock: 1.3285GHz coreCount: 56 deviceMemorySize: 15.90GiB deviceMemoryBandwidth: 681.88GiB/s
< I <> Successfully opened dynamic library libcudart.so.1
< I <> Successfully opened dynamic library libcudart.so.10.2
< I <> Successfully opened dynamic library libcublas.so.10
< I <> Successfully opened dynamic library libcublasLt.so.10
```
2.2 Deep Convolutional Generative Adversarial Network

The following trains a deep convolutional generative adversarial network (DCGAN).

The example code is included in the TensorFlow extra package. Once its module has been loaded, the example directory is defined with the `CM_TENSORFLOW2_EXTRA` environment variable.

The example picks up training images and labels from the MNIST site, and places them in a directory `tensorflow_datasets/` if it needs to. The images are then used to train the model. End users would be expected to train the neural network within their home directories.

Example

[root@bright90 ~]# module load tensorflow2-extra-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8
[root@bright90 ~]# module load openmpi4-cuda10.2-ofed50-gcc8
[root@bright90 ~]# cd ${CM_TENSORFLOW2_EXTRA}/tensorflow_examples/models/dcgan/
[root@bright90 dcgan]# python3.7 dcgan.py --epochs 5

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2.3 Image-to-Image Translation with Conditional Adversarial Nets

The following trains a conditional adversarial networks as a general-purpose solution to image-to-image translation problems. The trained model is capable of completing different tasks, such as colorizing black and white photos.

The example code is included in the TensorFlow extra package. Once its module has been loaded, the example directory is defined with the CM_TENSORFLOW2_EXTRA environment variable.

The example uses a preprocessed copy of the CMP Facade Database, helpfully provided by the Center for Machine Perception at the Czech Technical University in Prague. The original dataset includes 606 rectified images of facades from various sources, which have been manually annotated. The facades are from different cities around the world and diverse architectural styles.

The example conveniently downloads the dataset in a temporary directory and then trains the model. End users would be expected to train the neural network within their home directories.

Example

```
[root@bright90 ~]# module load tensorflow2-extra-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8
[root@bright90 ~]# module load openmpi4-cuda10.2-ofed50-gcc8
[root@bright90 ~]# cd $(CM_TENSORFLOW2_EXTRA)/tensorflow_examples/models/pix2pix/
[root@bright90 pix2pix]# python3.7 data_download.py --download_path /tmp
```

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2.4 Neural Machine Translation With Attention

The following trains a sequence to sequence model for neural machine translation with attention using gated recurrent units (GRUs).

The example code is included in the TensorFlow extra package. Once its module has been loaded, the example directory is defined with the CM_TENSORFLOW2_EXTRA environment variable.

The example conveniently downloads a dataset for Spanish to English translation in a temporary directory and then trains the model. End users would be expected to train the neural network within their home directories.

Example

```
[root@bright90 ~]# module load tensorflow2-extra-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8
[root@bright90 ~]# module load openmpi4-cuda10.2-ofed50-gcc8
[root@bright90 ~]# cd ${CM_TENSORFLOW2_EXTRA}/tensorflow_examples/models/nmt_with_attention/
[root@bright90 nmt_with_attention]# python3.7 train.py --epochs 5 --download_path /tmp
```

```
Epoch: 0, Train Loss: 1.7577663660049438, Test Loss: 2.344970941543579
Epoch: 1, Train Loss: 0.9539323449134827, Test Loss: 1.8177989721298218
Epoch: 2, Train Loss: 0.5993071794509888, Test Loss: 1.6585650444030762
Epoch: 3, Train Loss: 0.4077189564704895, Test Loss: 1.618396872424927
Epoch: 4, Train Loss: 0.28957614302635193, Test Loss: 1.6796191930770874
```
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[root@bright90 nmt_with_attention]#
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Running PyTorch

This chapter goes through some example runs with PyTorch. Some output messages have been removed or simplified in the runs for readability.

The sample runs assume that PyTorch and its extra libraries have been installed from the Bright Cluster Manager repository with a package manager. For example with:

```
yum install cm-pytorch-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8 cm-pytorch-extra-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8
```

In addition to requiring the extra libraries, PyTorch requires an OpenMPI implementation to work. Chapter 3 of the User Manual describes the different OpenMPI packages that the Bright repositories provide. The different OpenMPI packages allow the user to choose which one to use. For example, depending on which interconnect is being used, or depending on if CUDA support is required.

In this chapter, the `cm-openmpi4-cuda10.2-ofed50-gcc8` package is used.

More information on the examples can be found at https://github.com/pytorch/examples.

3.1 Variational Autoencoders

The following example shows how to train Variational Autoencoders\(^1\), powerful generative models that can be used for a wide variety of applications.

The example code is included in the PyTorch extra (cm-pytorch-extra-*) package. Once its module has been loaded, the example directory is defined with the `CM_PYTORCH_EXTRA` environment variable.

```
Example
[root@bright90 ~]# module load shared
[root@bright90 ~]# module load pytorch-extra-py37-cuda10.2-gcc8
[root@bright90 ~]# module load openmpi4-cuda10.2-ofed50-gcc8
[root@bright90 ~]# cd ${CM_PYTORCH_EXTRA}/vae
```

The Variational Autoencoders network is trained by default for 10 epochs. The required dataset can automatically be downloaded and extracted with:

```
Example
[root@bright90 vae]# python3.7 main.py
9920512it [00:04, 2041116.37it/s]
Extracting ../data/MNIST/raw/train-images-idx3-ubyte.gz to ../data/MNIST/raw
```


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... Processing...
Done!

Train Epoch: 1 [0/60000 (0%)] Loss: 550.187805
Train Epoch: 1 [1280/60000 (2%)] Loss: 323.104736
Train Epoch: 1 [2560/60000 (4%)] Loss: 237.460938
...
Train Epoch: 1 [58880/60000 (98%)] Loss: 130.540909
====> Epoch: 1 Average loss: 164.1742
====> Test set loss: 127.8219
Train Epoch: 2 [0/60000 (0%)] Loss: 127.949753
...
Train Epoch: 10 [58880/60000 (98%)] Loss: 107.980888
====> Epoch: 10 Average loss: 106.1472
====> Test set loss: 105.8715

The output sampled digits can be found in the results directory:

[root@bright90 vae]# ls results/
reconstruction_10.png reconstruction_4.png reconstruction_8.png sample_2.png sample_6.png
reconstruction_1.png reconstruction_5.png reconstruction_9.png sample_3.png sample_7.png
reconstruction_2.png reconstruction_6.png sample_10.png sample_4.png sample_8.png
reconstruction_3.png reconstruction_7.png sample_1.png sample_5.png sample_9.png
[root@bright90 vae]#