Microsecond-scale Preemption for Concurrent GPU-accelerated DNN Inferences

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Motivation

DNNs are widely adopted by modern intelligent applications





Motivation





Obstacle Detection





Fatigue Detection

Best-effort tasks

No hard real-time requirement

Motivation





- ? Low Inference Latency
- ✓ High Resource Utilization

GPU-accelerated DNN inference







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Execution






















































Existing GPU Task Scheduling



- High latency for RT tasks
- High throughput (work-conserving)

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REEF: GPU-accelerated DNN Inference System



REEF overview: architecture





Time

























In normal mode, kernels are executed concurrently in multiple GPU streams

Time











reset-based preemption



switch to real-time mode







dynamic kernel padding



switch back to normal mode

Real-time Mode

Normal Mode

Normal Mode

- Low latency for real-time tasks
 - > Normal Mode: preempt best-effort tasks in a few μ s.
 - > **Real-time Mode**: get the GPU resources as many as possible.
- Work conserving for best-effort tasks
 - > Normal Mode: fully utilize GPU resources by using GPU streams.
 - **Real-time Mode**: use the GPU resources leftover by real-time tasks.



Reset-Based Preemption



Idempotence

```
# device codes
global void conv relu(in, weight, out):
1 \quad sum = 0;
2 for i in range(0,3)
3
  for j in range(0,3)
         sum += in[..] × weight[..]
4
5
  out[..] = ReLU(sum)
__global__ void dense(in, weight, bias, out):
6 \quad sum = 0;
   for i in range(0,512)
7
8
      sum += in[..] × weight[..]
9
  out[..] = sum + bias[..]
```

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Dynamic Kernel Padding

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- Hardware Environments
 - AMD Instinct MI50 GPU (60 CUs and 16 GB memory)
 - Intel Core i7-10700 CPU (8 cores) + 16 GB of DRAM

Software Environments

- ROCm 4.3.0
- Apache TVM 0.8.0

- DNN Inference Serving Benchmark (DISB)
 - A new benchmark for DNN inferences in real-time scenarios
 - Five representative DNN models:
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 - Five workloads

- Real-world Trace
 - From an open autonomous driving platform (i.e., ApolloAuto)

- Comparing targets
 - **RT-Only**: dedicate the GPU for RT tasks
 - **SEQ**: sequentially execute tasks without preemption
 - **GPUStreams**: execute RT/BE tasks concurrently in multiple GPU streams







Conclusion

- REEF: a GPU-accelerated DNN inference serving system
 - Achieve both low-latency (2% latency overhead for real-time tasks) and work-conserving (1.14x – 7.7x throughput improvement)
 - Reset-based preemption: µs-scale preemption based on *idempotence*
 - Dynamic kernel padding: controlled concurrent execution based on *latency predictability*

Thanks & QA

