

# TonY: An Orchestrator for Distributed Machine Learning Jobs



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#### Agenda

- Background: TensorFlow and YARN
- What is TonY?
- Why use TonY for distributed training?
- Next steps

#### Machine Learning process



#### What is TensorFlow?



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Visualisation with TensorBoard https://learningtensorflow.com/Visualisation/



What is distributed TensorFlow?

Worker + Parameter Server Model



**Ring All-Reduce Model** 



#### How to run distributed TensorFlow?

- Distribute code/data artifacts across multiple machines in distributed job
- Allow tasks in the same distributed job to talk to each other (e.g. tell each worker where all other worker/parameter servers are)
- Ensure your task compute requirements are met before starting distributed job
- Or, have a framework do all of the above for you (Hadoop!)









**Distributed File System** 



What is Hadoop?





How to work with YARN?



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## What is TonY?

#### What is TonY?

- Orchestrates running distributed TensorFlow on Hadoop
- Acquires compute resources from Hadoop (memory, CPU, GPU)
- Sets up and launches distributed TensorFlow jobs on Hadoop clusters
- Manages application lifecycle
  - Fault tolerance
  - Job monitoring







- Entry point for TonY jobs
- Package user's configurations, user's model code and submit as YARN application



- Job setup and lifecycle management
- Negotiates compute resources
   from Hadoop
- Sets up container environment
- Launches and monitors containers



- Container = Task Executor
- Launches user's provided python script
- Heartbeats to Application Master for liveness

# Why use TonY for distributed training?

- Leverage YARN's fine-grained resource management and multi-tenancy
  - Logical resource isolation via queues
  - Hardware-based physical resource partitioning (CPU, K80, V100)
  - User-based resource limits

#### Partition: <DEFAULT\_PARTITION>

- Queue: root
  - + Queue: default
  - + Queue: public
  - Queue: gridops
  - Queue: relevance
    + Queue: misc

- Native GPU resource awareness
- Ensures GPU resource isolation and scheduling



One-click TensorBoard access for monitoring training progress







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- Read checkpoints from HDFS, resume from where previous attempt left off



#### **Open Sourced!**

- https://github.com/linkedin/TonY
- Engineering blog post: <a href="https://bit.ly/206L5WD">https://bit.ly/206L5WD</a>

#### **Contributions Welcome!**



#### Next steps

- Dr. Elephant integration
- TonY portal for notebook, job history, cross-execution monitoring



### Q & A

